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open again

Lord Grade's former group Associated Communications Corporation is effectively up for sale to the highest bidder after the Court of Appeal dec-lared invalid promises that would have given Mr Robert Boines à Court, the Australian financier, control for £36m.

£567m profit

Toxteth school

The Prime Minister and the press have been criticized over their reaction to vandalism at St Saviour's primary school in Toxteth, Liverpool The school's new headmaster reported an "uneasy and irrational atmos-phere" in the school after it reopened. Community leaders later accused reporters of sensationalism Page 3

Weapons found

A rifle and a dagger were found on the hijacked Air Tanzania jet at Stansted airport. Essex. The police are inquiring whether the weapons belonged to any of the passengers, whose return home was postponed for a day Page 2

Schmidt defends

Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, has publicly defended his top aide and two senior ministers under investigation in a bribery and tax evasion scandal. He had complete confidence in all

Reagan budget

It is now certain that President Reagan's controversial 1983 budget will not be passed by Congress because of a palace revolt among Republicans who cannot accept the large deficit built into the President's

Threat of war

The Syrians have dug their tanks in advanced positions south of their line in Lebanon. The Israelis have started conducting nightly live-firing exer-

Trees moved

Thirty-six trees are to be moved from Bellahouston Park in Glasgow so that crowds who gather to see the Pope when he visits the city in June will have

Sponsorship for

in a deal worth £2.5m. The name will be changed to the Milk Cup and a new trophy designed Page 19

Times' move

Compulsory notices to 210 clerical employees of The have been suspended for five days "to lend a more helpful atmosphere to the talks" between the management and

Council for the prosecution said that medical evidence would be given at the trial of three prison officers accused of murdering Mr Barry Pros-ser in Winson Green Prison, that his death was likely to have been caused by two or three people Page 3 three people

Letters: On parents and Euro-Pean court ruling, from Mrs Valerie Riches, and others; TV by satellite, from Mr G. lomson Smith, MP, and Mr Paul Fox; Winfrith threat, from Mr C. S. Green.

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ACC battle | Sport Minister attacks cricket tour as 'deception'

By John Witherow and Philip Webster in London, Trevor Fishlock in Delhi and Michael Hornsby in Johannesburg

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excludes the latest mur.

Mr Gerald Kaufman, after unsuccessfully riving from the Opposition front beach to get

an emergency Commons debate

the Government should call on the players to return, 'Obvi-ously the Government cannot

exert force upon people and nobody is asking it to do what

it has no right to, but the

England starting on May 3, feels strongly about the issue

and a government official made

side against India. The Indian authorities recall

the warning the ICCB gave to English players last year, when

ey were warned that their

could be in jeopardy if they played matches in South Africa, and assume it will be

Many Indians are also af-

fronted that five of the tour party in India-Geoffrey Boy-cett, Graham Gooch, John Em-

bursy, John Lever and Derek Underwood-are among the 12

touring South Africa.

But the arrival of the play-

ers in South Africa was greeted

as a major coup after 12 years of irolation from international

cricket.
South Africa has repeatedly

been refused entry to the International Cricket Confer-

ence, the ruling body of world cricket, because of the govern-

ments racial policies. In a sports-mad country, this has been a grierous deprivation and one well worth the £40,000 that it is estimated each of the

to help to reopen sporting con-

A lone voice in the celebra-

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'sale' of places resigns

By Diana Geddes, Education Correspondent

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college made public its agree-ment with Mr Lee Shau Kee, me to stay on. It's very sad:

thetour ,said last night that

indeed they are for other sports as well."

The Commonwealth Games in Brisbane in September, already under threat because of New Zealand's Rugby contacts with South Africa, is an obvious target for such disrupondemned as "a total decep-tion" the decision by 12 Eng-land cricketers to play in South Africa, and enger expressed overseas threatened the future of international and

even county cricket. Mr Neil Macfarlane, the Minister for Sport, issued a statement in which he aid; "I view this visit with the

greatest dismay.

"It has undone a tremen "It has undone a tremendous amount of goodwill that
had been built up in the
cricketing world in the past
decade or so. What particularly
concerns me is the total secrecy in which this visit has
been arranged. It has all the
elements of deception by the
players concerned."

Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, let it be known that she was angry. She recognizes that the tour contravenes the spirit of the Glenesgles Agreement of 1977, discouraging sporting links with South Africa, and which the Government is piedged to uphold.

But, as she will make clear in the Commons today, when she is expected to be questioned about the tour, there is nothing the Government can do to prevent it taking place. Mrs Thatcher is particularly disturbed that, because of the clandestine manner in which the tour was planned the the tour was planned, the Government had no opportunity to make its views known in advance and to attempt to dissuade the players from

going.

She is likely to tell MPs that since Britain is a free country, nothing could or would be done to stop people embarking which on a course over which the Government disapproved. Mrs Thatcher has shown no

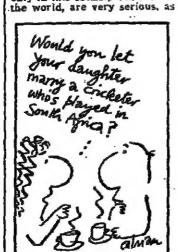
Mrs Thatcher has shown no signs of disagreeing with Mr Macfarlane's description of the tour as "deception". He said yesterday: "I feel there will be reserberations throughout the tricket world. I am surprised at the speed at which the tour was organized. I only heard about it at the weekend, and wish I had had the chance to speak to the players involved, and to remind them of the possible con-sequences of their actions."

For the players the most serious decision is likely to come from the Test and County Cricket Board. The executive committee meets on Thursday and is likely to make recommendations about the test match futures of the payers involved in the South

African matches. Members of the board tast night met Mr Macfarlane, and Mr Donald Carr, secretary of the TCCB, said he was con-cerned about a backlash by the

West Indies, India, Pakisran and Sri Lanka which could isolate England and perhaps lead to repercussions in other Sports.

Mr Peter Lush, for the TCCB, said last night that if this summer's tour by India and Pakistan is cancelled and no replacement tourists could be found, county cricket would lose more than \$1m. "That lose more than 11m. "That would be a terrible blow-one from which the game might never recover", he said. "The implications for cricket, not only in this country but around



an overseas benefactor has re-

to "feel like a traitor".

Mr Peter Gwyn, who has a one-year research fellowship in

history at Wadham, had earlier threatened to resign unless the

Saudi oil output down by **15**%

By Jonathan Davis, Energy Correspondent

Saudi Arabia's oil output last mouth was more than 15 per cent below the official production ceiling of 8.5 milproduction ceiling of 8.5 million barrels. a day, reliable sources indicated yesterday as Britain prepared to cut its North Sea oil price for the second time in less than four

weeks.
Industry sources said that liftings of oil from Saudi Arabia, the largest exporter in the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, were down to little over 7 million barrels a day in February.

It is the second successive Meanwhile, a report issued yesterday by the United Nations Special Committee against Apartheid said that Britain and the United States have most sporting contacts with South Africa, he report month that Saudi Arabian output has dropped below official projected production levels, liftings in January being esti-mated at about 7.9 million bar-

rels a day.

The disclosure adds to the confusion in world oil markets. As Conservatice and Lebour MPs united to attack the players for placing England's future in test cricket and in other sports in jeopardy, the Saudi Arabia has been under increasing pressure from other Opec members to reduce production to try to halt the drop in crude oil prices. Prices only supports in jeopardy, the only support for their actions came from a small group of right-wing Conservatives who tabled a Commons motion congravilating the players and stating they would bring enormous benefit and pleasure to multi-racial crowds in South Africa. of freely traded individual cargoes of oil on the spot market, a traditional barometer of world price trends, have fallen by about 15 per cent since the start of the year in the face of a supply estimated to be running at 2.5 million barrels a day in excess of

The drop in Saudi Arabian production is not an official cut in production levels, which the kingdom's rulers have so far refused to make. It rep-resents a decision by some of the partners in Aramco, the consortium of four United States oil companies which lifts nearly all Saudi Arabian output, to take less oil than they are entitled to. The move will help to

Government must make it clear that these are private individuals and are in no way officially speaking or playing for this country", he said. The team were selling themselves for "blood-covered krugereliminate some of the world surplus, but oil companies say it will not be nearly enough to halt the downward pressure on prices. It will certainly not be The secrecy with which the enough to prevent another reduction in the price of North tour was planned has embar-

Sea oil.

The British National Oil Corporation, which trades about two-thirds of Britain's North rassed the Government and although it was known that occasional approaches have occasional approaches have been made to England sports-men, news of the tour came as a surprise to Mrs Thatcher when it emerged over the Sea oil, is expected to tell its main customers today or tomorrow that it is prepared to reduce the price of oil from its present level of \$35 a bar-Mrs Thatcher will emphasize to offer a cut of \$2 and pos-sibly more. The North Sea price was last reduced by \$1.50 in the second week of Feb-Minister of India, when she visits Britain later this month, that the Government will con-

that the Government will con-tinue to take all seeps to up-hold the Gleneagles Agreement and to get individuals and sporting bodies to do the same. In India, the news of the matches in South Africa was a slight further easing in petrol prices, although the large companies such as BP, Eesso and Shell whose refigreeted with Gisma. The Indian Government, which has threatened to cancel its tour of neries have been making heavy losses on petrol and other products - will be reluctant to pass on any price reductions to motorists. Petrol prices have fallen from more than £1.70 in clear there was no chance of compromise if any of the play-ers is included in the England November to an average of

Each \$1 fall in oil prices results in a loss to the Government of between £250m and £300m a year in lost North Sea taxes, according to the Treas-



Moscow welcome: President Brezhnev, the Soviet party leader, greeting with a smile and a comradely handshake General Wojciech Jaruzelski, Poland's military leader, at

Brezhnev says Russia has learnt from bitter lessons of Poland

From Michael Binyon, Moscow, March 1

President Brezhnev firmly endorsed martial law in Poland tonight, telling General Wojciech Jaruzelski, who had arrived here on a state visit this morning, that the Russians fully understood the "timely measures" he had taken.

At a state banquet, Mr Brez-bnev said marrial law was needed to cool passions and pull the country out of a prot-tracted, excruciating crisis. He went on: "Had the Communists given way to the counter-revolution, had nivy affered under the furious attacks by the enemies of socialism; the destinies of Poland, stability in Europe and the world at large would have been jeopar dized."

Mr Brezhnev said the bitter lessons were something to learn from. It was not easy for Poland today, and "the waves of anarchy, chaos and terror would not roll back overnight." The imperiolist powers, especiall the United States, were increasing pressure on Poland and in doing so were trampling law and morals underfoot.

"But let no one hove that socialism will not defend itself", the Soviet leader declared. "It will, and with all resolution."

He hinted that the Russians would give no further economic aid to Poland but would develop new trade agreements made a month ago. And he

suggested that it was up to other Communist countries to help Poland out of its difficul-ties, for Poland and members of the Soviet trading block Comecon had the political will to organize their economic relations on a solid basis.

In reply, General Jaruzelski thanked the Soviet leader warmly for his support, called the Soviet Union the "bulwark of progress", and suggested that Poland was eternally with-in the Soviet sphere of influence by referring specifically to the Yalta and Potsdam agree-ments which determined the two countries' destinies. Taruzelski General

arrived here this morning to a pointedly effusive welcome on his first visit abroad since martial law was declared. He heads a large state and party delegation which is expected over the next two days to brief the Russians on the political, economic and security situation in Poland while bearing of Moscow's concern that; there should be no let-up in marrial law until a return to

guaranteed. Wearing full military uniform and dark glasses, General Jaruzelski was greeted on arrival at Moscow airport by President Brezhner, who walked stiffly across the tarmac and embraced the Polish leader with customary heavy hugs.

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Other segior Soviet figures at the airport, who are all expected to join in the crucial talks, included Mr Nikolai Tikhonov, the Prime Minister; Mr Andrei Gromyko, the Foreign Minister; Marshal Dmitry Ustinov, the Minister of Defence; Mr Yuri Andropov, the bead of the KGB security police; and Mr Koustantin Chernenko, a rising figure in the Polithuro who appears to have taken over some of the late Mr Suslov's functions.

The Polish delegation included Mr Jozef Czyrek, the Foreign Minister, who was here a few weeks ago to discuss honov, the Prime Minister; Mr

Foreign Minister, who was Secretary of State for Heelin here a few weeks ago to discuss and Social Security, if he aid and party relations, and Mr would consider setting up a Florian Siwicki, the Deputy Minister of Defence, said by Florian li'estern analysts to be a key figure in the military Govern-

visit to coordinate their resconses with Warsaw to Western sanctions, and to hear at first hand the military government's plans for restoring political and economic order in Poland.

Beneath the surface however, differences are likely to emerge on the relaxation of martial law, which the Russians, for all their ideological reservations, want to see con-tinue until the shattered Polish Communist Party has been purged of all liberals,

condition.

Glemp joins swing, page 6 documented evidence.

Plea for a little duck on the NHS

By David Hewson

Thanks to the intervention Mr Geoffrey Dickens, the onservative MP for Huddersfield West, the House of Commons may soon find itself debating whether duck and venison should be available on the National Health.

Jocular as the subject may sound, it is no laughing matter for Mrs Shirley Senior, a Huddersfield housewife, aged 46, whose plight has attracted Mr Dickens' attention. She is Mr Dickens' attention. She is allergic, apparently, to every food but duck and venison. With Harrods selling duck at 88p a pound and venison for £3.20 yesterday, it is clearly an expensive complaint, and one so far unrelieved by financial support from the NHS.

Dr Julian Kenyon, who has been treating Mrs Senior, said yesterday that she reacted to other foods even in a double blind test—one in which neither doctor nor patient knows the true identity of the substance being tested Duck substance being tested. Duck and venison genuinely seemed to be the only nourishment Mrs Senior can take, Dr Kenyon

Mrs Senior, who is five ft tall and weighs five stone 101b is nearly a stone and a half under weight. She says that she spends more than £20 a week on private treatment and £10 a week on her expensive

"Those foods are to me what medicine is to other people," she said at her home in Tenterhill Lane, Sheepridge, Huddersfield. "Some of it at least should be paid for by the National Health Service and surely all the treatment I get should be paid for by the service. It is crippling us finan-cially and we have to make a lor of sacrifices.

"I have asked Mr Dickens if he can persuade the Govern-ment to help thousands like me in the country who are hav-ing to endure untold misery, not only from illness or lack of treatment, but from lack of understanding from Arends, relatives and doctors who think it's al lin the mind."

Mr Dickens tobled a parliamentary question restorday asking Mr Norman Fowler, the allergy research and treat outapplied for a debate on the subject, is pressing to have The Russians will use this allergy recognized as medical

> D Our Medical Correspondent writes: Several cases have been described recently where a patient has been diagnosed as being allergic to a wide variety of twentieth century materials. This has caused di-quiet among established me2cal experts who feel that there is insufficient evidence for the idea of a "total offerey syndrome". They fear that their own research and reputation will suffer if unsubstantiated claims are made without well

Russians land craft on Venus

From Our Own Correspondent Moscow, March 1

The Russians today landed an unmanned space module. Lenin, on Venus, and have begun experiments to find our whar the red planet looks like from close range and what it is made of.

Venera-13 was launched four months ago, and after travel-ling 187 million miles arrived at Venus this morning. Passing England players is receiving through dense layers of yellowish Venusian atmosphere, it landed softly on a plain east of the Phoebus area at 3.57 am GMT.

tion was that of South Airican Council of Sport (SACOS), the It immediately set to work predominantly black organizableeping back messages for tion which supports the intermore than two hours, much longer than expected, while its parent spaceship called in near the planet and then zoomed off in orbit round the Leading article, page 11 John Woodcock, page 19

On its way down Venera-13 took chemical and isotope readings of the atmosphere, looked through its instruments at the cloud layers which have always prevented photography from Earth, and made a spectral analysis of solar radiation and electrical discharges in the

Basking safely on the ground in the searing heat of 457 degrees centigrade, protected by a special cooling device, the module started taking pictures through red, blue and green filters, which will give Soviet scientists pretty colour photoraphs of Earth's neighbour. They have already seen on their television screens an unprepossessing landscape of rugged stones scattered over

One of the module's main jobs, like its American counterpart which first landed on Mars, is to find out what Venusian soil is made up of, and a small sampling device drilled a hole in the rock, grabbed a sample and took it to a hermetically sealed chamber

BL insider share deals inquiry

By Anthony Beyins, Political Correspondent

man of British Leyland, was yesterday asked if he could Department of Trade officials investigating the possibility of insider dealing-by others, not Sir Michael-in the shares of a company which last year hought a BL subsidiary. The inquiry, by officials of the department's special Price-Dealing Investigations Unit, centres on the movement of Suter Electrical shares before Suter bought Prestcold, a BL subsidiary, for about 19m a year ago. The chairman and

the time of the purchase was Mr David Abell. The Department of Trade We are looking at the share price movements of Suter Electrical at the end of

1980.*

Independently of the Prestcold issue a complaint has been made in the Commons that BL's tractor division was sold off without public adver-tisement or competitive bid-ding, and that the sale involved former senior executives of the Leyland vehicles company.

Next Monday the Commons Select Committee on Public accounts will hear evidence from Sir Peter Carey, Permanent Secretary at the Department of Industry, on the sale of the Bathgate tractor assets, thought to have been worth between £10m and £15m.

But the BL spokesman last night confirmed. The Times report that the Comptroller and Auditor-General, Mr Gordon Downey, who reports to the Public Accounts Committee, had been refused access to Leyland Vehicles papers and personnel on the Bathgate transaction.

Mr Edward du Cann, chairman of the Treasury and Civil Service Select Committee and of the Conservative backbench 1922 Committee, said yesterday that the Comptroller should have the right to follow public

Sir Michael Edwardes, chair- money wherever it went, in-

cluding Bathgate and Leyland

Vehicles.
Altogether, 287 MPs of all parties have signed a Commons motion asking for an extension of the Comptroller's remit to include all nationalized indus-

Mr du Cann gave warning yesterday that if the Govern-ment failed to take action to open nationalized industry books to public audit, with parliamentary scruting, a Commons debate would be forced. "And we shall force a vote against the Government" he added.

Meanwhile, Accounts Committee yesterday decided not to launch an inquiry into last week's privatization of Amersham International.

The all-party committee is preparing a draft report on the sale of British Aerospace, ex-pected to be published towards the end of this month. And it was said last night that all the relevant questions that could have been put about Amersham had already been answered in

that inquiry.

A new breakdown of overall fees paid by the De-partment of Energy for the Amersham International sale produced a total of more than 52.6m. Recent Supplementary Estimates put the figure at £4m, but the department said last night that the merchant bankers, Rothschild and Morgan Grenfell, had received £310,000, the brokers and un-derwriters, £844,000 and the receiving bank, National Westminster, has been allocated a fee of £500,000, Stamp duty was estimated at £750,000. plus value-added tax, and solicitors, publicity agents and account-

ants received £200.000. The insider dealing inquiry is directed at the movement in the Suter share price in the months before the company was transformed by the Prest-

How much would you pay to give a lost little girl a start in life?

Susie (that's not her real name) attends one of the special day care centres we run for children whose future is at risk. As little as £2 could help her.

She is 31/2, the child of a broken marriage, with a violent father. When first she came to us, she was so lost and disturbed, she wouldn't speak and didn't even know how to play.

Now, she's beginning to talk and smile, she enjoys painting, and she's building up confidence in herself so that as she gets older. she may be able to relate properly to others.

Susie's tragic story is typical. Little children like her, defenceless, bewildered, products of our confused society are the ones most likely to end up definquent, making a mess of their own lives, and their own children's

lives in turn.

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Won't you send what you can afford today? For only £2 you can buy a set of paints. For £10 we can buy a sandtray - and fittle aids like this help so much. For £100 we can feed a child for a whole year at the centre. Everything helps. And it helps even more if you covenant to pay regularly. That way we can claim back tax, so every £1 you give is worth £1.43. Not a penny is wasted, because we are very careful with the money we get, and many fine helpers do voluntary work for us.

Please send what you can today to me. Nicholas Lows. Appeals Director, Room 304, Dr Barnardo's, Tanners Lane. liford, Essex, IG6 1QG Or donate by credit card. Please telephone Teledata 01-200 0200, give your credit card number and quote Barnardo's Room No. 304.

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ACC directors were cleared of not acting in the best interests of their shareholders Page 15 for Barclays Barclays Bank made record pretax profits last year of £567m, a rise of 8 per cent. The bank also announced that it has now lent £1,000m to home buyers and expects the total to rise to £1,600m this

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Oxford don who exposed Leading articles: South African cricket; Oil policy.
can cricket; Amersham and
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Fashion: Suzy Menkes studies

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a Hongkong businessman, to the fellowship was one of the accept two of his children as high spots of my life ", undergraduates, provided they Mr Gwyn, was a history undergraduates, provided they satisfied the minimum matricu- master at Winchester school lation requirements of two until the mid-1970s when he grade Es at A level, in return resigned in protest over the for a 5500,000 gift to the col-Relations between myself firmed that it has accepted his resignation. The fellowship so had that I felt com- was worth \$1,500.

EEC budget protest by MPs

The long-running argument between the European Parlia-ment and the Council of Ministers tabout the Strasbourg As-sembly's powers to change the EEC budget erupted during a meeting of the Tressury and Civil Service Committee at the Commons yesterday, when a Supplementary Estimate for £7.1m was under scrutiny (our Political Correspondent writes).
The payment represents a

three-month tranche of the money the British Government must provide to meet the extra £50m added by the European Parliament to the 1982 budget for food aid.
MEPs claimed that under the

Rome Treaty they had power to extend the budget. The Council of Ministers disputes that, and has referred the natter to the European Court

In the face of protests by MPs yesterday over the British MPs yesterday over the British Government's decision, to pay out the extra money in advance of a judgment, Mrs M. E. Hedley-Miller, Under-Secretary of the EBC section of the Treasury, said there was no question of the Government paying more than was due. If they were the case the matter that were the case the matter would be rectified according to the court's decision.

The sum represents only about 0.5 per cent of the £11,500m covered by the Community's total budget.

Jockey settles out of court

Mr Ernie Johnson, the jockey, yesterday settled out of court his legal dispute with the Newmarket racecourse author-iries over an accident which put him out of racing for a

Mr Johnson had sued New-market Racecourses Trust over the accident in 1977 when his mount crushed his left leg against a starting gate. The trust denies liability. Mr Johnson, aged 30, who alleged the gate was a hazard, said he lost earnings of £16,000 because of

Ford job scheme praised by MSC

The Manpower Services Commission yesterday urged more large firms to follow Ford's example by running 12-month training courses for young people (Donald Macintyre

writes).

"Inder Ford's scheme, publicly launched pactorday, 160 young people are being paid the Youth Opportunities Programme (YOP) allowance of £25 a week to build go-karts, and learn basic machining, engine maintenance, catering and administration in three training workshops:

engine maintenance, catering and administration in three training workshops.

Mr Roger Dawe, special programmes division director, announced that more than 500,000 young people have entered YOP since last April.

£4,000 prize for festival design

A first prize of £4200 is to be awarded for the winner of a competition to design an exhibition hall for the Liverpool International Garden Festival,

to take place in 1984. Plans for the festival were announced last year by Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment, after he was given special responsibility for the problems of Merseyside. The festival will run for six months on a site in the Liverpool South Docks.

Plessey appeal on sit-in

Plessey, the electronics firm, is to appeal against a court ruling on a five-week sit-in by workers at its Bathgate plant mear Edinburgh. The appeal, on Thursday, could be a test case on whether a sit-in is lawful if the workers' action is " in furtherance of a trade dis

Lord Kincraig ruled at the Court of Session in Edinburgh on Friday that the 130 workers might have a defence under the Trade Union and Labour Rela tions Act of 1974. This reversed a court order banning the sitin, which is aimed at keeping

the plant open. 3cwt bust stolen

Thieves have stolen a 3cm bronze bust of Lord Huddle stone, the judge, from his grave in Bestwood Park, Nottingham. The bust, worth £400. was shortly to be moved to the Law Society's Museum in London.



Gun find delays passengers on hijack jet

The return home of the Tan-zanian hostages from Stansted airport, Essex, was delayed for 24 hours yesterday as police continued intensive inquiries which uncovered a new arsenal of weapons on the hijacked Boeing 737.

Mr Peter Simpson, assistant chief constable of Essex, dis-closed that a rifle and a shot-gun and live ammunition had been discovered on the Air Tanzanian aircraft. A dagger and a sheath knife were also found.

Police re trying to discover whether the weapons belonged to any of the passengers who are known to be relatives of the four gunmen from the Tan-zanian Youth Revolutionary Movement.

Further inquiries together with consultations with the Director of Public Presecutions may mean that charges will be filed against some of the relatives within the next 36 hours.

Meanwhile, the taking of statements from the passengers delayed the return of the aircress to Tanzania until today.

craft to Tanzania until today.
Police said 81 people were on
the jet when it landed, including the highjackers and six

while statements were being taken, including some from passengers who do not speak English, police maintained strict security which prevented journalists from asking innocent hostages what had happened during the hijack, and the tense 26-hour siege on board the aircraft on the tarmac at Stansted. mac at Stansted.

A relief crew which arrived early yesterday was standing by to take the aircraft back. The discovery of the wea-pons added a new dimension to police inquiries. When the hijackers surrendered on Sun-day, they handed to children in lies in London, Birmingham their party a 0.38 revolver, two and Manchester.

wooden pistols and a mock hand grenade, together with a box marked explosives, which

police say was harmless. Mr Simpson said: "After Mr Simpson said: "After legal advice from the DPP and our own advisors it would be most unwise at this stage, due to the formulation of charges, to allow any interviews with hostages. The probability is that the majority of the hostages will leave."

Mr Simpson said the victims were recovering quite well. "It was quite an ordeal for many of them. This weekend has taught us many lessons," he said. "The major lesson is that if we follow our guide lines we can achieve a peaceful solution to this kind of problem. Patience has been amply rewarded."

The condition of the co-pilot, who received a flesh wound shortly after the aircraft took off for its internal flight, is said to be comfortable.

As the hostages were escorted by police last night to a secret destination for their third night in Britain, Mr Charles Mwakng-Ata, an official of the Tanzanian High Commission in London, described the fears and the relief passengers at their reserve of passengers at their rescue. He said that the handful of children who travelled on the aircraft were aged eight months upwards. The children were well looked after and most remained calm throughout the ordeal. "It was their parents who were shaken and frightened throughout their frightened throughout their trip."

☐ Fourteen of the passengers have been given visas to stay with relatives in Britain for a month, the Home Office said last night (Stewart Tendler

writes). Many are Asians with fami-

Kambona plea not to return terrorists

jacking siege, yesterday ap-pealed to the British Government not to return the four hijackers to Dar es Salaam.

Although they must expect to face due process of lew in Britain for the hijacking, they would at least get a fair trial, Mr Kambone said in Tan-Mr Kambone said In Tanzania, by contrast, the rule of law did not prevail and they were unlikely to get fustice.

In a statement issued from his home in north Loudon, where he lives with his family. Mr Kambona said he was glad to learn that the British authorities were considering whether to allow the families of the hijackers to stay in Britain.

"The fact that they risked the lives of their wives and children by taking them with them on the zircraft shows that this was not a common act of piracy", he added,

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Mr Kambona emphasized,
however, that he was totally
opposed to the seizure of the
Air Tanzania aircraft which he
described as an "unwarranted

to learn that the British authto learn that the British auth-Mr Kambona, once one of President Julius Nyarere's closest aides but now one of his most bitter opponents, made it clear that the promise of a fair trial in Britain was one of the main factors in per-suading the hijackers to sur-

Although he claimed that he had no foreknowledge of the hijacking or the Revolutionary Youth Movement to which they claimed allegiance, Mr

Mr Oscar Kambona, the Kambona showed considerable exiled former Tanzanian understanding for their action. The hijackers were "driven by economic and political conditions since the standard of the control of the contr ditions in Tanzania to under-take what we might consider take what we might consider to be an act of madness", he said. The hijacking was to them "the only way open to draw world attention to the plight of our people, who have suffered at the hands of a cruel

suffered at the hands of a cruei dictator for a long time."

Mr Kambona said that during a brief meeting on Sunday, the hijackers had explained what had prompted their." act of desperation." They had said that they wanted President Nyerere to resign and to give way to a democratically elected government.

elected government.
The hijackers had also complained about the disappearance of President Nyerere's opponents after falling into the hands of his security agents. In addition the Tanzanian economy was in ruins and ordinary people suffered from the transactions of the security food.

shortages of essential food. because of his sympathy for his fellow Tanzanians that he had agreed to a request from the Foreign Office in London to intercede with the hijackers. "Having done this and having helped in small measure to bring this unhappy episode to a peaceful solution I would now like to appeal to the British Government not to return these men to Tanzania."

The Tanzanian High Commission in London said yesterday that the Tanzanian government was deciding whether to seek the extradition of the hijackers. The High Commission's priority was to ensure that the hijacked passengers returned home safely. now like to appeal to the

AIRLINE BID FOR LAKER **US ROUTE**

By Michael Baily

Transport Correspondent Laker Airways' 25 per cent share of traffic between Britain and Los Angeles, worth about 220m, could be lost to Britain unless the Government moved fast in designating another another British carrier, Mr Adam Thomson, chairman of British Caledonian airways said

yesterday.

He described proposed hearings by the Civil Aviation Authority on Lakers "ines Brenpage Ltd", as a "charade" and in a letter to Sir Neville Foulkes, chairman of the CAA, called for a "quickie" procedure to let BCal on to the route in May.

The immediate response from

the CAA was discourageding however. "In view of the competing applications from Bren-page and BCal the CAA will carry out its statutory duties scrupulously and impartially", a spokesman said. "It would a spokesman said. "It would be wrong to pre-judge deci-sions that should only be arrived at after public hear-ings."

Total traffic on the Britain-

Los Angeles route is believed to be over 600,000 passengers to be over 600,000 passengers, worth nearly £150m a year, of which British Airways and Laker Airways each had around 2S per cent, the remainder shared by US carriers.

British Caledonian could operate six flights a week with existing DC10 aircraft and want exemption from normal licensing for six months to let them start in May before the summer season, Mr Thomson said. After that they would give the route up if their appli-

STATISTICS CUTS **ATTACKED**

By Pat Healy

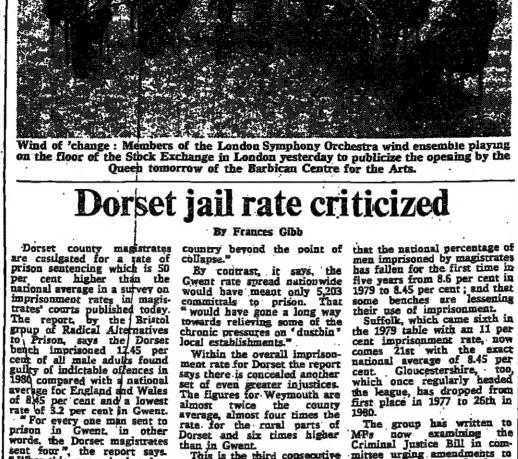
Social Services Correspondent The Government was accused yesterday of threatening democratic debate in Britain by dracically reducing the collec-tion of economic and social statistics. The charge was made by the Council of Civil Service Unions, which is campaigning to reverse cuts intended to save up to £25m and 2,500 jobs

The cuts follow proposals by Sir Derek Rayner, the Prime Minister's adviser on efficiency. As well as cutting the number and variety of statistics collected by central government, they will mean that the Government statistical service

is required to cover its costs. That will lead to higher prices for official publications, government departments being charged for the services of the Government's statistical service, and the social survey division having to compete with private agencies for ad hoc survey work.

The overall effect will be that statistics vital to demo collected or published, Mr Campbell Christie, deputy general secretary of the Society of Civil and Public Servants,

Examples of the damage Examples of the damage already apparent from the cuts were offered at a press conference yesterday. They included the abandoning by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food of a development aimed at informing British farmers each year of the impact of the common arriculimpact of the common agricul-tural policy before final never happened to make "a decisions were taken. very interesting documentary".



set of even greater injustices. The figures for Weymouth are almost twice the county average, almost four times the rate for the rural parts of Dorset and six times higher than in Gwent. This is the third consecutive

year in which the Dorset bench has headed the group's annual league table of rates of imprisonment and the fourth time in five years.

sent four", the report says.
"What this means is that dur-

ing 1980 the Dorset bench contributed to prison over-crowding at a rate four times

greater than their colleagues

Ben Nevis

By Ronald Faux

The BBC retreated yester

day from the North face of Ben Nevis, storm-battered and

wiser about the savage unpre-dictability of Scottish winter weather. A group of tech-nicians, all volunteers for the

programme that hoped to pre-sent the first live coverage of

an ice climb on a cliff in Arctic

conditions, was evacuated from the 4.000ft summit of the

mountain after spending three

nights there in freezing cold

nights there and 125 mph winds.

Mr Michael Begg, in charge in charge in the michael Begg.

of the production, said: "It would have been foolish to

spend any longer there. The risk of exposure would have been too great. Only the top two inches of their tent pole was showing above the snow this morning.

Two pairs of climbers were

to have been televised live climbing 1.000ft long routes on the North face, which has been

the scene of a number of fatal

accidents recently.
"We were within an ace of

everything working spleudidly for the first outside broadcast in the world from such a posi-

tion and then on Friday the weather changed," Mr Begg

On Saturday the technological triumph resulted in the coldest interview for some time. It was on the summir of Ben Nevis as freezing mist blasted around the figures of a Royal Marine digging a hole the service of a result of the color of the service of the color of the service of the servic

in the snow and an interviewer who so far forgot himself as to ask cheerfully how life was treating him in the Army.

That faux pas was plucked from his lips, shot down the mountain to a control van, projected to a sarellite soaring through space off West Africa, bounced back to Goonhilly in Cornwall and from there fed is to the solution network.

into the television network. The BBC yesterday denied that the foray onto the North Face had cost £150,000 even though it had involved the hire

of two helicopters, about 80 technicians and climbing specialists and a band of local "Sherpas" to help ferry

"Sherpas" to help ferry equipment into position.

Neither was everything a total loss. A French skier descending the North Face four

days ago in practice for the "live" attempt at the weekend had been filmed. On top

of that there was enough material of the BBC preparing

very interesting documentary".

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in Gwent."

In 1980, magistrates in England and Wales sent 13,741 men to prison. If they had all sentenced at the Dorset rate, the figure would have risen to 20,246, which "would have pushed hard-pressed local prisons up and down the Second in the table is Lan-cashire, with a sentencing rate for male offenders of 11.81 per

cent imprisonment rate, now comes 21st with the exact national average of 8.45 per cent. Gloucestershire, too, which once regularly headed the league, has dropped from first place in 1977 to 26th in 1980.

The group has written to MPs now examining the Criminal Justice Bill in committee urging amendments to the Bill which would bring about further reductions in the use of imprisonment. These include publishing official league tables of rates of imprisonment and setting up an inspectorate of courts in the Lord

tor male offenders of 11.81 per cent; then Cleveland, 11.43 per cent, then Sussex, 10.93.

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Times management extends notices

days the compulsory notices to 210 clerical employees to allow negotiations with their union

representatives to continue. The concession means that the notices will now be due to run out five days later than originally planned. In the case of the first notices, which had been due to run out in a week's time, expiry would now be midnight, March 14.

Management are not now expected to announce before tomorrow the numbers of staff who responded to Mr Rupert Murdoch's fresh call for applicants for voluntary redundancy under the company scheme. Mr Murdoch has made it clear that if enough acceptable applicants

come forward, the compulsory notices will be withdrawn. Mr Arthur Brittenden, cor-porate relations director of News International, said last night that the decision to suspend the notices for a limited period had been "a gesture to lend a more helpful armosphere to the talks".

Mr Murdoch announced

three weeks ago that he wanted a reduction of 600 fulltime jobs. The company has also been seeking a reduction of up to 900 part-time shifts. Earlier in the Commons Mr John Biffen, Secretary of State for Trade, said that if The Times was to continue as a major journalistic force, it would have to do so on an economic basis. Both sides of the House would wish the newspaper to continue, he added, but he did not agree with a
Labour MP who suggested that
events since Mr Murdoch took
over seemed to justify some of
the fears expressed at that

time. Mr Biffen, who was answering a question from Mr Norman Atkinson, Labour MP for Haringey, Tottenham, about infringement of editorial independence at The Sunday Times, said that it was for the inde-pendent national directors to consider allegations that edi-torial independence had been infringed.

Mr Atkinson then asked Mr

Biffen to agree, in connexion with the company's articles of association and papers' titles, that Mr Murdoch had tried to find a way around the original agreement and that he got caught. If Mr Biffen had his time over again would he not have designed the articles very differently from those now standing and

Management at The Times would he have attempted to and The Sunday Times yester take a different action in not day agreed to suspend for five referring the matter to the

referring the matter to the Monopolies. Commission for inquiry, Mr Atkinson asked.

Mr Biffen replied that he would not have designed the articles in a different way, nor would be have departed from his decision over a reference to the commission.

From the Tory benches Mr Jonathan Airken, (Thanet, East), felt that there was some-thing of an element of makebelieve surrounding these so called guarantees of editorial independence. In practical terms they were unenforceable, he said. It would be more realistic if Mr Biffen accepted that Times Newspapers Ltd had a proprietor who from time to time might decide to fire an editor—pour encourager les autres—and that there was nothing the Government could

do about it. Mr Biffen did not agree that Mr Biffen did not agree that the company's articles had become something of a makebelieve. He suggested that the question he was supposed to be answering concerned the dismissal of journalists and not the dismissal of an editor. If the editor of The Sunday Times had thought that his independence had been infringed, he could have appealed to the independent national directors.

Mr John Smith, opposition

Mr John Smith, opposition trade spokesman, asked if Mr Biffen thought that Mr Mur-doch was not acting within the spirit of the agreement in attempting to transfer the titles without any reference whatso-ever to the independent national directors. What deci-sion, he asked, had been arrived at on the future of the titles and did not the Secretary of State think that further safe

guards were necessary in the light of recent experience? Mr Biffen declined to answer on the transfer of titles because on the transfer of titles because there was a later question on this matter. The question was not, in fact, reached by the end of question time.

of question time.

From the Labour backbenches Mr David Winnick (Walsall, North), wanted to know what the Government's attitude would be if The Times was closed down. Would the Government try to ensure that it appeared again in the near future? It was to that question that Mr Biffen roplied that closure would not be wished by closure would not be wished by anyone in the House, but that continued production must be on an economic basis.

broke down yesterday between British Rail and its three British Rail and its three unions.

BR insisted that new rostering systems should include the elimination of the guaranteed eight-hour day for train drivers, which has existed since 1919, but the footplatemen's union objected and opted to go to the tribunal.

The tribunal will hear evidence by March 19 at the latest on the rostering dispute, which was the cause of the six weeks

Rail roster

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By David Felton Labour Reporter Lord McCarthy's arbitration

ribunal will have to pass final

judgment on the controversial issue of flexible rostering on

the railways after negotiations

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talks fail

Suresh Karadia

on the rostering dispute, which was the cause of the six weeks of strikes by members of the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen Motive Engineers and Firemen (Aslef).

The tribunal results will not be binding. Mr Raymond Buckton, Aslef general secretary, said he had been supported in his request that the findings not be binding by the National Union of Railwaymen.

However, Mr Russell Tuck, senior assistant general secre-tary of the NUR, said it was obvious the findings could not be binding as all parties could

not agree.

As the meeting between BR and the unions started about 35 Aslef and NUR members. from the King's Cross terminal in London stormed British Rail's headquarters at Euston. During the melée, involving the demonstrators and BR security staff, a receptionist

was hurt Mr Buckton said after the 60-minute meeting that as far 60-minute meeting that as fur as his members were concerned elimination of the eight-hour day was "a very great basic principle" to which they were opposed. He was prepared to negotiate with BR on proposals to introduce flexibility around the eight-hour day.

During the negotiations yesterday British Rail asked for the hearing at Lord McCarthy's

the hearing at Lord McCarthy's Railway Staffs National Tribunal to be binding, and Mr. Buckton, when asked reasons for not acceptant to the first terms. for not agreeing to the findings being binding, said: "It is my business, not yours."

M15 link in Iran plot case denied

A senior officer of Scotland Yard's anti-terrorist squad yes-terday dismissed claims that MIS was behind the kidnap of three Iranian diplomatis in a plot to defraud the Iranian Government in a £26m bogus arms deal.

Detective Chief Inspector Derek Todd was voicing re-newed objections to bail in the case of Berman Nodjoumi, a wealthy Iranian company director and a former member of Savak, the Shah's secret police, who was charged in connexion with the alleged kidapping. At the hearing at Merylebone Magistrates's Court it has
been alleged the plot was to
supply the Iranians with 30
crates of tin instead of the
8,000 anti-tank missiles for
which loops of glowing
material may be thrown up
for tens of millions of miles.

which the diplomats were negotiating, for use in their war against Iraq.

Mr Todd told Mr Brian Canham, the magistrate, that Mr Nodjoumi had claimed in open court that "the whole matter had been set up by British intelligence" through an army major called Ross.

Witnesses had now identified

. Witnesses had now identified the "so-called Major Ross", who had since been arrested and charged and who turned out to be an imposter. "There is no suggestion whatsoever that British intelligence had been involved, and yet by what Mr Nodjoumi said, serious embarrassment could have been caused to the British Government," Mr Todd said.

But despite the police chief. But despite the police objections, Mr Nodjourni, aged 36, of the Water Gardens, Burwood Place, Paddington, was further remanded until Marc 29 on bail totalling £105,000 with stringent passport and other conditions after an appli-cation by Mr Richard Du Cann,

QC, his counsel.

Mc Nodjoumi, said to be a member of the Iranian Freedom Movement, which aims to dom Movement, which aims to topple Ayatollah Khomeini is charged with plotting between June 30 and October 16 191 with Mr Spiridon Rocos, an American, and Herr Kurt Klicker, a German, to defraud Iran's Minister of Defence out of \$52,060,000.

Facing the same charge are Dogan Arif, a Cypriot restauranteur, aged 33, of Waterford Road, Bromley Road, Catford; Road, Bromley Road, Cartord;
Leslie Pitts, a commany director, aged 43, of Herne Hill, south-east London, and Siliers Moser, a Swiss-born engineer, aged 47, of Wynch House, King's Road, Chelsea.

Mr Arif, Mr Nodjoumi and Sour, Britons

Mr Arif, Mr Nodjoumi and four Britons are further charged with assaulting Mr Abolhassem Behzadi, and Mr Mahmoud Sabahat, both Iranian diplomats, and Mr Hassem Moghadam, a banker. They are also said to have unlawfully and injuriously imprisoned them against their will at Mr Nodjoumi's and another Water Garden flat for six days to last October 16.

Mr Arif was remanded in custody for eight days. The six

custody for eight days. The six other men were granted bail totalling £44,000 to appear with Mr Nodjoumi on March 29. The four accused Britons are The four accused Britons are Richard Page, accountant engineer aged 45. of Drayton Way, Kenton, Middlesex; Peter Dean, a chauffeur, aged 40, of Queen Mary Road, Upper Norwood and Ronald White, aged 45 and unemployed of Totland Close, Farnborough, Hampshire, and his brother William White, a stable worker, aged 43, of Abbotsbury Road, Morden, Surrey.

Science report A flaring star reveals a secret of the Sun

By the Staff of "Nature" international collaboration between astronomical observatories seems conclusively to have shown that flares like those seen on the surface of the Sun also occur on other stars.

The conclusion is impar-tant, chiefly because it helps to place the Sun itself among the class of stars long known to exhibit sharp outbursts of activity, but the organisa-tional feat of coordinating seven optical and seven radio telescopes with observations made from the Einstein Xray satellite will be a land mark in observational astronomy.

The star on which flares resembling those on the Sun have now been identified is known as YZ Canis Minoris. known as 12 cans which is, known to be a dwarf star which nevertheless has a mass which is a substantial fraction of that of the Sun. The 14-ground-based tele-scopes and the Einstein satellite were all pointed at the star for periods of five bourson each of three consecutive days—October 25-27—in 1979. The filare whose cheracter-istics most closely resemble those of a solar flare seems to have occurred early during the first observation

The flare concerned seems to have lasted for a little less than 10 minutes. The outpurst on the star was re-corded by the X-ray detec-tors on the Einstein satellite, by the optical tele-scopes in the United States at the Cloudcroft and McGraw-Hill observatories and by a radio-interferometer at Jodrell Bank.

. As with flares on the sur face of the Sun, the output of visible energy from YZ Canis Minoris seems to have risen very rapidly to its peak but then to have decayed more slowly over the succeeding 10 minutes. The X-ray emission characteristically lagged behind that put out from the star in the put out from the star in the put out from the star in the optical region, while the burst of radio energy lagged behind the visible dere by a full 17 minutes.

The 31 authors of the research including Sir Bernard Lovell, say that these characteristics resemble those of the more familiar (because more easily ob-served) flares on the surface of the Sun. From their estimate of the energy put out during the outburst, they calculate that temperature of the flare must have reached degrees, comparable with the temperature reached at the peak of solar flares and sufficient to account for the generation of X-rays in de-tectable amounts.

While the new observations show that flares like those on the Sun occur on other stars, in themselves they do little to resolve the Source: Astrophysical Journal, vol 252, p 239 January 1, 1982. C Nature-Times News Service, 1982.

NEAR-BLIND DRIVER SPARED JAIL

Frederick Fisher, a father of five, was yesterday granted un-conditional bail by magistrates at York so that he could spend

at York so that he could spend the last few weeks of his sighted life in freedom with his family.

The magistrates were told that Fisher, a former lorry driver, aged 32, of Middleham Avenue, York, who admitted 26 motoring offences, thefr and fraud, suffered from an incurable eve disease. incurable eye disease.

Mr Trevor Cox, for Fisher,
asked the magistrates to spare him from living with his fading eyesight in the gloom of a

prison cell.

Mr Cox told the bench: "In a few weeks Fisher will be completely blind. It will be completely blind. It will be wrong to deprive this man of his liberty now when his eyesight is failing so rapidly."

Mr Cox told the court how Fisher committed the offences, including driving while disqualified, and described him as a man obsessed by more as a man obsessed by motor vehicles.

The magistrates adjourned sentence on 12 of the offences and committed Fisher to crown court for sentence on the other 14.

CORRECTION

report on February 26 timidation row at Times News "Intimidation row at Times Newspapers", stated incorrectly that a brunch official of the National Society of Operative Printers, Graphical and Media Personnel (Natsopa) had said that one member; Miss Mary Fogarty. "should be branched, or disciplined" after publicly challenging union policy on redundancy notices. The report should have attributed the statement to a Natsopa clerical chapel (office branch) committee member. Mrs Ann Field, a branch official, has categorically denied that Miss Fogarty, a secretary at Times Books, is facing any disciplinary action.



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Jail death jury told of wall of silence

From Arthur Osman, Leicester

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On August 18, when he

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There were other injuries delivered with as much force.

Mr Draycott continued: "If

Mr Draycott said that the

Medical evidence on the banging and shouting and death of Mr Barry Prosser in was arrested and later re-Winson Green prison, Birmanded to prison, where he minghan, would suggest that was put in a cell with other it was probably the work of two or three people, Mr Douglas Draycott, QC, said resterday opening the Crown case against three prison officers at Leicester Crown

received the injuries from which he died, he was banging singing, shouting and creating a lot of noise. Mr Draycott told the jury: Around the walls of Winson Green has groun up another wall—a wall of silence. You will have to make the best The jury at that point was shown a series of photographs and Mr Draycott said you can of the evidence that put before you".

the cause of death was by a heavy weight dropping on to the upper abdomen which streng Mr Prosser. They are: Melvin Jackson, aged 32, Eric Smith, aged 32, and Howard Price, aged 25, who worked in the hospital administration wing at the prison.

the cause of death was by a heavy weight dropping on to the upper abdomen which strength and one open and the upper abdomen which strength are likely to be underspent in the current year, and perhaps another 1300m of other capital receipts.

"This partially reflects the success of the sale of council his weight on to Mr Prosser.

There were other injuries

Mr Prosser, of Sedgeley, West Midlands, was a self-employed carpenter, married with two children. He suf-fered from mental illness, sad from 1970 onwards received periodic hospital treatment. In March 1979, he it is going to be suggested that this was suicide by Mr Prosser, or that for some reason he had inflicted these injuries on himself, our expert evidence is that the number of these injuries could not have been self-inflicted." was put on probation for three years at Dudley for causing criminal damage, and he received psychiatric treatment as and in-patient for three months.

Mr Draycott said: "He only three officers on duty appears to have been a very who could have done this to have to be concerned it may be was perfectly and a mr Prosser were the three doesn't prejudice the overall pool workman. Physically, accused it was fair to say he was perfectly well, but that there was no intention to from time to time his mental kill him. "It may well be, and condition of hypomania probably is, that they went the forthcoming year, we are further than they intended it likely to see significant levels of capital receipts work off mania was a condition of to".

mania was a condition of over-elation, over activity, a general sense of well-being, extreme cheerfulness at one time yet very low at another.

Mr. Prosser had been beaten up. He was not unintelligent and it was likely he would complain during the governor's rounds. "We say that fairly quickly a cover up was started, the into trouble from time to time. He enjoyed a pint of entry in the hospital records. Beer, but an excessive amount of drink had an adverse effect on him at a shouting and screaming and time when he was taking sedative drug for his condition.

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His violence was not directed at people but things.

In August, 1980, he was going through one of his his wife and his wife took the two children to her.

In August, 1980, he was going through one of his hyperactive and unpredictively the two children to her. took the two children to her father's home near by. At 11 today and later this week the o'clock one night, Mr Prospury will visit the prison to see went there and started see Prosser's cell.

Heseltine seeks more building by councils

From Ronald Kershaw, Wakefield

Mr Michael Heseltine Secretary of State for the Environment, said yesterday that local authorities should provide work through capital construction programmes in the coming financial year.
Local authorities had unders turbance on August 12 and he was moved to a "stripped" cell in the hospital wing. pent by some £400m, on housing this year, and the problem was getting them to spend it effectively and quickly, he said.

Mr Heseltine had been attending a regional seminar.

attending a regional seminar on the rate support grant at Wakefield town hall. Pressed on underspending, he said: "the best indications I have so far, are that something

houses and partially the determination of local authorities to look at assets they have been sitting on without cashing them, and getting the cash they can use." Councils were now doing this on a bigger scale, but they had not anticipated their own suc-

The cash, he said, was the Government's within public expenditure pro-gramme. Asked if it had to be spent this year he said:
"They can carry it forward at
individual authority levels; I

of capital receipts work off and I very much hope local authorities will use the freedom they have got in order to provide work in capital construction pro-

County seeks legal advice on rate rise

Merseyside County Council is to seek legal opinion on the levels of permissible expendi-ture before fixing the rate for th coming year (Our Liverpool Correspondent Liverpool

writes).
The budget meeting of the policy committee was unex-pectedly adjourned after an hour yesterday to enable that course to be adopted, despite strong objections from Con-cervative and Liberal counci-



Daffodils for Dylan Thomas: Watched by Mrs Thomas-Ellis, the grandchildren lay a tribute

A big day for Dylan and St David

By Tony Samstag

position, and a distinctly secular air of unease crept over the proceedings.

The scriptures are fairly ex-plicit about the likely consequences of pursuing commercial activities in the temple of God. Media events, perhaps, are less clearcut. The bard himself, it is fairly safe to assume, would have burned and raved, less at the incongruity of the proceedings than at the stifling respectability of it all.

Wreaths and banks of daffodils were laid on and around the plaque, and many of the worshippers wore single blooms in their lapels.

Perhaps 30 members of the Thomas clan were among the congregation: "We had to go out and find them", Mrs Thomas-Ellis said. Her son, Hugh, aged

seven, and another grandchild. Jemima Thomas, aged 15, were present at the unveiling; Hannah Thomas-Ellis, aged three, suf-fered an acute attack of stage fright at the last minute and cried off.

When discussing the master, words fail us ordinary mortals and we tend to resort to the sacred text or to name-dropping. Chaucer, Blake and Yeats reared their venerable heads, but it was the readings, of Fern Hill and Poem in October, that carried the day.

The Rev. Alan Luff, however, Precentor and Sacrist of Wes-tminster Abbey, may have spoken more appropriately than he knew when he read from the Book of Revelation on the "bitter-sweet calling of one who is to see strange visions and to write them down for his people".

Testing time for Welsh TV channel From Tim Jones, Cardiff

Amid a blaze of daffodile and a bucketful of optimism the Welsh-language Channel Four television was officially baptized in Cardiff yesterday.

A highly professional launch offered an exciting glimpse of what the channel will offer. Criticism that the Welsh Fourth Channel Authority has powers of patron-age "as great as the Medicis and Borgias" was brushed

Conceived from idealism and born from political duplicity the channel will put to the test the claim that on its shoulders rests the future of the declining Welsh lan-

guage.
After promising the service in its manifesto the Government changed its mind only to think again in the face of a campaign of widespread civil disobedience when thousands of people said they would not pay their television licence

Mr Nicholas Edwards, the Secretary of State for Wales, was ambushed while driving to his home in Pembroke-shire in England. Mr William Whitelaw, Home Secretary, whitelaw, Home Secretary, said that intimidation would never win the day after his constituency offices had been occupied by Welsh language protesters.

But in the end, faced with the threat of a fast to death by Mr Gwynfor Evans former president of Plaid

former president of Plaid Cymru, the Government conceded its promise, admit-ting that it could not carry with it the weight of public

Mr Rhodri Williams, former chairman of the Welsh Language Society, who welsh Language Society, who was present at the launch yesterday, said he was impressed by the enthusiasm and professionalism of the people who will be responsible for the new service, which will begin transmission in November mission in November.

Mr Owen Edwards, director of the new auhority, which will be known as S.4C.

(Sianel Pedwar Cymru) said: "We believe that the new channel will help to end the division of languages and communities in Wales. "It is a channel for Wales in all senses

Ultimately the viewers will decide whether the service succeeds for the government, still smarting over its first demonstrable U-turn, has intimated that if it does not succeed within three years it will be scrapped.

Violence in schools: 1

Disruptive pupils in a minority

the scale of violence in our

schools.

The most recent national survey of school discipline was that carried out by the HM Inspector for Schools (HMI) and included in their report on secondary schools

two years ago.

That indicated that hostilty to teachers was the "least of the schools' worries". Only seven of the 384 included in the survey described it as a a serious problem. Violence between pupils was thought to be serious in only one school, and a "considerble

The majority reported, somwhat surprisingly, that they had no disruptive pupils at all. Just over a third admitted they had some, but

From John Chartres Liverpool

disturbances.

and pupils.

The findings helped to confirm the Schools inspectors' own view that "the very great majority of schools to corporal punishment." tors' own view that "the very great majority of schools were orderly, hard-working and free from any serious problems". And the indi-cations are that, if anything, the situation has improved since then.

The relatively small amount of violence that does go on is not negligible, however. Figures compiled by the teachers' unions suggest that they are assaulted by pupils at a rate of about three a week. The most recent estimate of vandalism in schools, by the Govern-

Incidents like those leading only one in three of those the victims of suspected to the recent closure of the put their number at ten or arson in 1979, the latest year Toxteth primary school, more. Vandalism was said to which hit the headlines, tend be a serious problem in only to give a false impression of 4 per cent of schools.

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as a means of controlling violence in schools. However research evidence suggests that such punishment might actually increase vandalism and other forms of delin-

Dylan Thomas may have been dead and buried for the better

part of 30 years, but the old reprobate can still draw the

crowds. They packed Westmin-ster Abbey in their hundreds yesterday, St David's Day, for an event as improbable as it had

been long awaited: the unveiling and dedication of a memorial plaque in Poets' Corner to the

patron saint of dissolution him-

There it lay in all its newly chiselled splendour, three hundredweight of Penrhyn green slate flanked by Lord Byron and George Eliot, with Henry James and Gerard Manley Hopkins near neighbours. Mrs Aeronwy Thomas Ellis the noet's daugh-

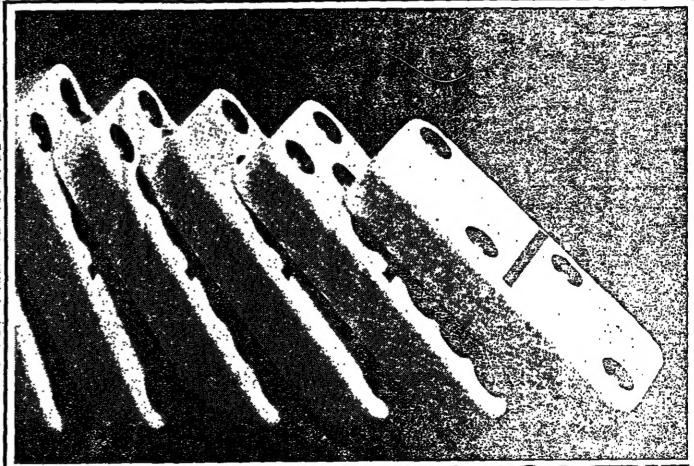
Thomas-Ellis, the poet's daughter, who lives in Surrey now, commended the memorial stone into the safe custody of the

abbey as flashbulbs popped, television cameras jockeyed for

teachers within a school irrespective of whether cor-poral punishment was used, the research team said. The schools which had recently abolished corporal punish-ment seemed to benefit form having has to rethink their whole desciplinary systems.

Those opposed to corporal recent estimate of vandalism in schools, by the Government's "think tank" in 1978, put the cost at around £15m a year.

Nearly 2,000 schools were November, found not detect than schools, including borable differences in the genstals, detention centres, prisons and the armed forces, in any school where corporal in some of which discipline punishment had been abolimight be thought harder to ished, and those in comparmaintain.



of governors, said accounts of damage to the buildings and teachers' cars, threats to and reacners' cars, threats to staff and protection rackets alleged to have been operated by older children against the younger, had "been blown up out of all proportion" who-ever had leaked the story "wanted his backside kick-

The Rev Neville Black, one

South Africa is fully committed to a policy of stability, private enterprise and prosperity for all.

Naturally, this doesn't suit the plans of many Marxists.

They know that Britain and the West are heavily dependent on South Africa for important minerals like chrome, manganese, vanadium and in the Republic, they can cause platinum. They know these South Africa disruption in the West

materials are essential for making computers, machine tools, jet engines, gearboxes, TVs, drilling bits and defensive armaments. And they know there are no major alternative sources outside the communist bloc.

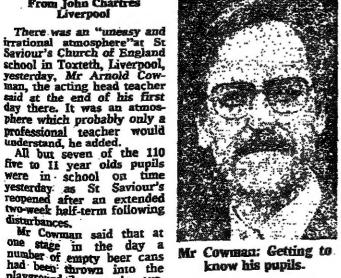
South Africa's enemies are confident that by creating instability

forward to meeting parents later in the evening and saw the future of the school as a cooperative task between himself, teachers, parents At a morning news conference he said that his reading of Mrs Margaret Thatcher's

He had spent his first day trying to get to know his pupils and to speat to them personally when possible "in a gentle sort of way". He said he had made himself "evident" had not not be the bad made himself. the blame on a lack of parental control. After declaring that there would be no "witch hunts", Uniformed

"evident" but not in any systematic manner. Complaints against cameramen were again made by men claiming to be members of the Liverpool 8 Defence Committee, when the school closed and pupils left.

Earlier Mr Kenneth An-



Mr Cowman: Getting to know his pupils.

playsround by people out-side The children, Mr Cow-man sald, had "made sport" tcliffe, Liverpool's director of education, had disagreed with the Prime Minister over with the cans
He sain he was looking parents her apparent allocation of blame onto parents for the recent disturbances at the

comments in the Commons lations department asked was that she was placing all them to drive away as quickly

'Uneasy' peace as St Saviour's returns blame; but the constructive pool city councillor and thing to do was to make a chairman of the school board

He suggested that the Prime Minister's advisers might have been mistaken in the information they supplied her with before her refer-ences to the school in the House last Tuesday.

Mr Cowman greeted pupils vesterday and set about yesterday and set about imposing what was described by Mr Anthony Smith, chief inspector of schools on Merseyside, as "discipline without a witch hunt". A ten point plan was announced for the school's future.

The only untoward inci-dents occured when a party of five men approached photographers and a radio reporter standing outside the school. Two photographers handed over rolls of unprocessed film and a radio reporter surrendered a tape recording.
Journalists who had been

invited to a press conference at 9am were asked to move into the building several minutes earlier and at its conclusion an official of Liverpool city's public reas possible otherwise he could not answer for possible

of the governors, disclosed that a four-hour meeting had taken place on the Thursday before news of the school's problems was first published, and that a strategy for dealing with those issues had been agreed. Mr Black suggested that the cost of damage to property only amounted to about £200. The ten-point plan announced yesterday includes staff reinforcement, includ-

ing three extra teachers from the city's reserve pool who were on duty yesterday, extra supplies of books and stationery, valued at about £1,000, the availability of specialists and remedia teachers as a back-up, and the "enrichment" of the education at St Saviours, which will include multi-cultural teaching

A scheme to help "latch key" children in Toxteth has After declaring that there would be no "witch hunts", no expulsions, and no recriminations, but a "clean slate", Mr Antcliffe said it would be unproductive and would be unproductive and would on good to try to weigh out little parcels of blame. His own authority, the blame, His own authority, the blame. His own authority, the school govenors, the staff, and the parents all shared in

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Aid sought for stranded passengers

AIR TRAVEL

Government officials have been instructed to review the position of air travellers to see whether there was any practicable way in which financial protection could be given to scheduled air travellers, Mr Isin Sproat, Under Secretary of State for Trade, said during questions in the Commons.

Mr Robert McCrindle (Brent-wood and Ongar, C) had asked whether there were any pro-posals to extend protection to air travellers other than those on package tours in the event of the failure of the airline.

Mr Sproat: I have no plans to introduce legislation on a complicated and difficult problem involving an international industry. However, I have instructed my officials to review the position.

Mr McCrindle: Will he confirm that among those matters which the officials might consider is the the officials might consider is the possibility of a small levy on each scheduled airline ticket to enable a fund to be created to protect our people who go abroad? Will it be within their ambit to take account of the possibility of foreign airlines following suit, where a ticket was purchased in the United Kingdom?

Mr Sproat: I assure him all his points are ones which will certainly be covered within the

Mr Sproat: That is an interesting suggestion. No doubt representatives of the travel associations will take it to heart.

influential in the airline.

Mr Kenneth Lewis (Rutland and Stamford, C): He should ask his officials to look at the air travel reserve fund, which has a large amount in it, to see if it could be used to pay for people who, although they were not scheduled, were booking hotels through Laker as well.

Mr John Fraser, an Opposition spokesman on trade: Surely the matter is not all that difficult? It undertake to have my officials would be possible to introduce a bonding scheme along the lines of the one operated by ABTA at making persons who pay a present. Has the promise on television of Tiny Rowlands that he would meet the cost of all the scheduled Laker air travellers been met?

Mr Sproat: There is some £18.5m Mr Ginsburg: On February 9 the windertake to have my officials will prossibility of de-suspension. Would be confirm that such de-suspension could not take place unless the airline were sold in its people going on scheduled lines. Mr Michael Neubert (Havering, Mr Sproat: This is an extremely been met? Mr Michael Neubert (Havering, Mr Sproat: This is an extremely Romford, C): The air travel intricate question and I cannot

Mr Sproat: The promise made by Mr Rowlands was that he would actually pay the scheduled air travellers if and when he was in charge of the company.

On the scheduled air travellers, why did Mr Fraser not do anything when he was in Government? I can give the answer or because it is an extremely difficult matter involving foreign airlines. We will be looking at the difficulties in our review.

Mr Gary Waller (Brighouse and Spenborough, C): No traveller is likely to consider the possibility of losing money as a result of a company bankruptcy. There is a case for saying travel agents should make the position clear and provide an opportunity of taking out insurance.

OA Labour MP who during question time exchanges called sir Freddie Laker a pirate was rebuked by Mr Iain Spreat. Under-Secretary of State for Trade, for a shocking abuse of callamentary mirilege. Mr Sproat: The Civil Aviation

Mr Rowlands's promise was not a qualified promise, but an unqualified promise.

Mr Sproat: As I understand it, he was saying what he would do when in the position of being influential in the airline.

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Hoyle: Laker "a pirate".

answer "Yes". It is up to the Civil Aviation Authority to decide. The authority will take Mr Robert McCrindle (Brent-Mr Robert McCrindle (Brent-wood and Ongar, C): Accepting that the monister's appellate funtions require hem to be somewhat circumspect in reply-ing, is be able to place on record the Government's hope that after all the inquiries have been gone through two British aritines will still fly both to Los Angeles and New York?

Mr Sproat: It would be improper to answer that question. An application from British Caledonian to fly to Los Angeles and presumably any reconstructed Laker Airways, if there is to be one, would be the sujert of an appeal to the Secretary of State and therefore I should not comment.

Mr Douglas Hoyle (Warrington, Lab): Would he ensure that a pirate like Laker does not fly again, paricularly a man who paid less in wages and salaries than other airlines, had registered offices in Jersey so that his



employees did not have the benifit of going to an idustrial tributal, and prevented them from jouring a trade union, with the result that they have all lost their employment? Would he protect them in the future? Mr Sproat: It is a shocking abuse of this House that he uses the privilege of the green benches to call Sir Freddie Laker a pirate. (Conservative cheers). In what he says about Jersey being used to get round Section 15 of the Act, he is totally inaccurate.

Mr John Smith, chief Opposition spokesman on trade: As a matter of general civil aviation licensing policy, it would not be proper for an airline proprietor to be able to start up again operating a licence without having made any arrangement to pay his debts.

Mr Sproat: He has asked a hypothetical question to which I would not consider it proper to give an answer. On the laws of receivership, it is the duty of the receiver to get as much money as he can for his creditors. That is his duty and what Mr Mackey and his associataes are doing.

'The Times' must be economic

NEWSPAPERS

Members of the Conservative Party and he thought of the Opposition would wish to see The Times newspaper continue as a major journalistic force, but it had to be on an economic basis, had to be on an economic basis,
Mr John Biffin, Secretary of
State for Trade, said during
questions in the Commons.

It was for the independent
national directors to consider
allegations that editorial independence had been infringed, he said
after relling Mr Norman Atkinstan (Haringsy, Tottenham, Lab),
who had asked him to publish his
reply to the letter from the
National Union of Journalists
Chapel at The Sunday Times
relating to the infringement of
editorial indepencence, that a
copy of this correspondence had
been placed in the Library of the Mr Atkinson: In regard to the

Mr Atkinson: In regard to the company articles and the titles, would Mr Biffen not agree that Mr Rupert Murdoch attempted to find a way around the original agreements but got caught?

If Mr Biffen had his time over again, would he not have designed the articles very differently than those which now stand and would he also have attempted to take different action in not referring it to the commission for inquiry?

Mr Riffen: On the second part of Mr Biffen: On the second part of the question

the question, no. On the third part, I do no think I would have departed from my judgment.

Mr Jonathan Aitken (Thanet, East, C): There is now something of an element of make-believe surrounding these so-called guarantees of editorial independence, because in practical terms they are unenforceable.

Mr Biffen: I would not agree with Mr Winnick's first observation. On his second point, this side of the House and I believe the other side would wish to see The Times newspaper continue as a major journalistic force, but it has to be on an economic basis.

dence, because in practical terms they are unenforceable.
Would it not be much more resalistic if he accepted that Times Newspapers Limited has a proprietor, who from time to time may decide to fire an editor pour encourager les autres and there is nothing the Government can do about it?

Mr Biffest I do not think I would agree that the articles have become something of make-be-lieve. As I understand it, the question I am answering relates to the dismissal of journalists and not to the dismissal of an

editor.

If the editor thought that his independence had been infringed, he could have appealed to the independent national directors. Mr John Smith, chief Opposition spokesman on trade (North Lanarkshire, Lab): Regarding the episode referred to by Mr Atkinson, does Mr Biffen not think that Mr Rupert Murdoch was certainly not acting within the spirit of the agreement in attempting to transfer the titles without any reference whatsoever to the independent national directors?

What decision, if any, has yet been arrived at on the future of the titles? Does Mr Biffen not think any further safeguards are necessary in the light of recent experience?

Mr Biffen: There is a later Mr John Smith, chief Opposition

Mr Biffen: There is a later question on the titles (which was not reached).

Mr David Winnick (Walsall North, Lab): What has occurred since seems to justify some of the fears that were expressed when Mr Rupert Murdoch took over The Times is closed down, what will be the attitude of the Government to try to ensure it appears again in the near future?

If Mr Biffen said in a written reply that his consent was not necessary for the transfer of the titles of the papers to News International, but the validity of such a transfer without the coasent of a majority if the independent national directors might well be open to doubt.

MP attacks S Africa tourists

CRICKET

The English cricketers who are in South Africa to play a series of matches there were selling themselves for blood-covered Kruger rands Mr Gerald Kaufman said when unsuccessfully seeking an emergency debate on the tour.

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Mr Kaufman (Manchester, Ardwick, Lab), seeking a three-hour emergency debtae on the visit by a group of cricketers being described as an England 11, said: The matter is substantial since 12. English cricketers, already becoming known as the dirty dozen, have decided, in defiance of the advice of the Test and Country Cricket Board, to tour South Africa and play so-called test maches, describing themselves for this purpose as the English team. These men are placing in doubt the forthcoming tours of Britain by Indian and Pakistani cricket teams, are jeopadising this country's plea in international test cricket and could effect the future of the Commonwealth games and the Olympic games;

Commonwealth games and the Olympic games; It requires urgent consideration because this tour is due to begin on Thursday, which leaves little time for the Gaovernment to fulfil its oblgations under the Gleneagles agreement by taking every practical step to discourage a group of men who, by giving aid and comfort to what the Gleneagles agreement describes as the abomination of apartheid, are selling themselves for bloodere selling themselves for blood covered Kruger rands.

Parliament today

Opposition motions on gas prices and on situation in central America. Lords (2.30): Northern Ireland Orders. Civic Government

BA debts nearing £1,000m

TRADE British Airways was expected to make a further substantial loss in the current financial year and debts were fast approaching \$1 000m, Mr lain Sproat, Under Secreta, of State for Trade, said during questions.

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Mr Michael Nenbert Havering,
Romford, C) who asked for a
statement on measures being
taken by British Airways to
improve its financial position,
was told by Mr Sproat that
British Airways made a pre-tax
loss of f141m last year. It was
clearly the management's responsibility to take strong
measures to improve the financial performance as quickly as
possible.

I welcome the deterination of Skr John King and the British Airways Board (he said) to take Mr Neubert: In the interests of fair competition in civil aviation, would be confirm that despite

British Airway's rejection of the suggestion that it is subsidied, it has received a wide variety of support from the taxpayer over the years?

If British Airways had not been a nationalized airline but

had been in the private sector, it would have been bankrupt years Mr Spreat: He has put it brutally, but some might say, accurately. As for the support given by the taxpayer, it is right to say that there have been support

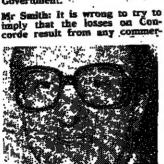
taxpayer, it is right to say that there has been massive support from the taxpayer to British Airways from the National Loan Fund; from public dividend capital from which it has had flom a year injected over the last five years and never repaid the dividend, private sector debts guaranteed by the Treasury at preferential interest rates, the exchange cover scheme has been at no cost to them in operation for nine years; some floom has been written off. There is the Concorde support programme funded by the Government and many other points.

Mr John Smith, Chief Opposition Mr John Smith, Chief Opposition spokesman on trade (North Lanarkshire, Lab): Would he take

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operation.

Mr Sproat: British Airways has benefitted from support by at least ten separate means. It has had preferential interest rates from the National Loan Fund and the private sector and if that is not a benefit I cannot think what is not a benefit from the exchange cover scheme, £160m written of Concorde has been subsidised by the taxpayer to the tune of £10m every single year. These existed under the Labour Government.



Neubert: BA would-bave been bankrupt

losses. One of the obligations of a Minister is to play fair for industries he is supposed to

mr Sproat: I am only too well aware of my duties to play fair to the taxpayer and that is why I emphasize the massive support the taxpayer has given to British Airways over e years.

I am surprised he is not sware that British Airways is actually claiming to be making a profit out of Concorde at the moment and are keen to keep it.

Mr Robert Adley (Christchurch and Lymington, C): Can he confirm that the baggage handlers dispute is both improving the service to British Airways' customers and reducing pilfering customers and reducing pilfering from customers?? If that is so, would be encourage British Airways to draw its conclusions?

an early opportunity to withdraw the statement made on a number of British Airways are acting in this crisis is a special fillow to acting in this crisis is a tremendous tribute to the spirit that exists in British Airways.

Over the last five years British Airways had paid £100m to taxpayers and got £50m back, so the taxpayer is £50m better off, if you take out the Concorde project which is a seperate operation.

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Mr Spreat: Buckfield (Nuneston, Lab): It is the fault of British Airways on a leasing agreement. He should amend the Act which is the first si

Protection for buyers of

leased goods The Government is concerned about the position of innocent private buyers of second hand goods still subject to leasing agreements, Mr Reginald Eyre, Under Secretary of State for Trade, said after he had told Mr Horn Heddle (Lichfield and Tamworth, C) that he was satisfied with the working of the Hire Purchase Act 1864.

might buy a second hand product; for example a car which is subject to a leasing agreement, does not have the same protec-tion under the Hire Purchase Act as somebody who might inno-cently purchase a second hand car that happened to be the subject of a purchasing agree

around the country do not know this, for reasons best known to other people. He should bring forward legislation to amend this apparent anomaly in the Hire Purchase Act.

Purchase Act.

Mr Eyre: I fully understand and share his concern about the position of the innocent private buyer in the circumstances he had described.

I an grateful be has put down a proposed amendment to the Supply of Goods and Seivices Bill. I am giving urgent consideration to a number of legal and other aspects in this matter and particularly whether the amendment is within the scope of that Bill.

I will be in touch with him on all these matters at the earliest

months.

Mr Eyre: I have a great deal of sympathy with the feelings of the Opposition and I agree that the innocent private purchaser is likely to be in a weaker position than a finance company to bear any loss in the circumstance we are considering.

If he will bear with me about the legal aspects, and particularly whether it is within the scope of the Bill to which he refers, I will do my best to be helpful.

Textiles will be better

Hire Purchase Act 1964.

Mr Heddle: A consumer who 25 on global ceilings on imports most sensitive textile and clothing products. Mr Park: Is he satisfied that the ceilings agreed in principle will be, sufficient to prevent any further erosion of our textile

industry? Mr Rees: I am satisfied that the overall package which will emerge when the bilateral agreements are completed within the framework laid down, will provide a much tougher regime and greater protection for the British textile industry.

British textue industry.

Mr. Barry Jones (East Flint, Lab):
Just how tough is the mandate he
has boasted about with regard to
the 1 per cent growth? There
may be a 4 or 5 per cent growth
in imports. This gives the lie to
his claim.

Mr Rees: I-would be the last to her keek: 1-would be the 12st to boast of any achievements in this matter, knowing how sensative it is. The 1 per cent growth rates relates to the most sensative products it would be judged. There may be a higher growth rate in the less sensitive products. We must wait and see, but I assure him that in the most

sensitive products there will be a lower, growth rate than that achieved under the last multifibre arrangement. Mr Kenneth Woolmer, an Oppo sition spokesman on trade (Batley and Morley, Lab): There

rates are less than those negotiated under the previous MFA.

But there are 600 categories, under these two groups. Many are areas where I do not believe the textile industry would press for limited quotas.

vehicles

The British car manufacturing industry should strive to become efficient and competitive at the earliest possible moment, Mr Reginald Eyre, Under-Secretary of State for Trade said when

cheaper prices.
Mr. Edwin Wainwright, (Deame Valley, Lab) said: In addition to the importation of cars for personal use, there is a strong rumour going around that British companies are going to be allowed to buy their car fleets abroad. If that is so, it would do great harm to the motor car industry in this country. What is the Government going to do about it?

Mr Eyre: think he should not jump to rash presumptions on a matter of this kind.

Mr John Fraser, an Opposition spokesman on Trade (Lambeth, Norwood, Lab): If it the Government's view that retail margins on new cars are too high, would not it be better to refer the question to the Director General of Fair Trading under the Competition Act Competition Act
Mr Eyre: Pricing decisions are a
matter for the commercial
judgment of manufacturers and
dealers acting within the requirements of the United Kingdom
and EEC competition rules.

TRANSPORT (Batley and Moriey, 1.20): A near is concern among producers in the categories dealing with suits, dresses, jackets, shirts and so on. Do the surge mechanism and cutbacks on dominant suppliers relate to these categories? How will Mr Rees safeguard 50 per these industries? cent of these industries?

Mr Rees: No, they do not. These are essentially non-sensitive categories, there are individual areas of concern where we will try to ensure that the growth

Personal imports of

answering questions on the during debate but importation of British cars at cheaper prices.

It had been sur

The law lords' ruling on the Greater London Council's Fares Fair policy was so sweeping that it would almost certainly impinge on services used by the elderly and the disabled, Mr Albert Booth, chief Opposition spokesman on transport, said when the committee stage of the Travel Concessions (London) Bill began. The measure gives the GLC the same powers on travel concessions as those given to the councils of London boroughs ansthe Common Council of the City of London.

Wir Booth (Barrow in Furness, Lab) was moving a new clause to ensure that the duty of the GLC to provide for the needs fo the elderly and the disabled with transport concessions would not be fettered by the law lords' judgment or any other limitations.

Mr Alexander Lyon (York, Lab) said the judges in the House of Lords were applying a political test. So how did MPs know that, if the Bill were passed, if would be applied how MPs wished it to be? The courts were not entitled to consider what a minister said during debuts but only what the

Act actually said.

It had been suggested the age timit of judges should be reduced and that had been considered by the Labour Government in 1968. We have now reduced the age limit to '75 (he said) but one of them got away and he is the worst of the lot.

He suspected there would have to be a change in the way judges were trained and appointed and how members of the bar were recruited.

Price: Act open to interpretation

be fully supported the new clause. The Bill was meagre and quite inadequate.

Mr Kenneth Clarke, Under Secretary of State for Transport, said that no one in the Commons

Mr Sydney Bidwell (Enling, Southall, Lab) said the role of the fudiciary must be made clear because there would always be a running argument whatever line was taken in the Bill

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Mr Ronald W. Brown (Hackney,
South and Shoreditch, SDP) said
whatever was decided in the
House could always be challenged in the courts and a
different interpretation put on it
according to whoever heard the
case.

Mr Christopher Price (Lewisham, West, Lab) said that whatever was decided by the House it would be possible for any court.

whether the House of Lorus or the Appeal Court, to put a different interpretation on it. It was essential to find out whether any new clause had the force to make sure the GLC in operation a concessionary fares scheme would not be frustrated by the judiciary

judiciary

At present no legislation could be passed without the possibility of a bench of judges saying that it did not mean what it had been thought to mean, but that it meant what the judiciary thought.

The Bill might be helpful and it might not. That would be known, not when it received the Royal asseot, but when it was first litigated upon and public money was spent in finding out what the House of Lords, as then assembled, thought about it.

Mr Douglas Jay (Wandsworth, Battersea North, Lab) said that



Mr Keuneth Clarke, Under Secretary of State for Transport, said that no one in the Commons did not wish the GLC to operate a concessionary fares scheme for elderly and disabled passengers on London Transport. The law

express right to make concessionary fares as did other authorities up and down the country. But they could have continued a concessionary fares scheme under their general powers to levy a 2p rate.

The purpose of the Bill was to remove any genuine doubt and give the GLC the same powers on concessionary fares as other local authorities. The GLC had already made provision of 150m in thier budget for funding a concessionary fares scheme.

This was a lawful budget and not put in any doubt by the law

not put in any doubt by the law lords' judgment. The new clause was a most convoluted addition to the Bill, and nonsense.

Nobody thought there was anything wrong with the law until the GLC broke it after the May elections last year. (Labour laughter). The law had not interfered with London Transport's policy before then There was no reason why it should

again,
The principal objection of those who were now carrying on about the law lords and the law was not that they knew what it meant and did not like it. They would like the law to be changed to enable them to spend rate-payer's money without lim-t. If anyone at County Hall was claiming that the law required them to frighten pensioners and the disabled into believing that they might have their con-cessions withdrawn, that was not

the case.

Before the law lords' judgment, when the cheap fares prevailed and the rates were supporting them, pensioners had obtained little extra benefit. One quarter of all heads of house-bolds in London were pensioners. All that they derived, from the new policy was that from the new policy was that they had some minor additional concessions on the Underground,
The effect on pensioners of the
massive rate demands from the on London Transport. The law lords' judgment had not been directed towards the scheme. But the purpose of the Bill was to put out of doubt the ability of the GLC to have such a scheme.

It was true that pensioners had been scared — but it was because of the irresponsible campaigning of people in the London Labour on the irresponsible campaigning of people in the London Labour on the buses and Underground.

Party who had been trying to advance their views on the quite separate issue of the cheap fares policy in connexium with the concessionary scheme.

After the law lords' judgment, the GLC did not have the same remaining stages.

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Further moves planned

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pollution, there could be in general no claim for compensation. Such losses would probably never be quantifiable in terms of money, yet a loss had been suffered by the community.

If, as would usually be the case, the damage was not readily quantifiable, there was ground for considering a claim for general damages. There was strong ground for considering that the community no less than the individual was entitled to compensation for damage it had suffered.

acceptable proportions by a combination of international cooperation and domestic measures. That was very much in line with the royal commission's thinking.

The Government had set in train necessary preparations for legislation to extend Britain's territorial limits from three to 12 miles. We hope (he said) that it will be possible to introduce legislation in the context of the results emerging from the UN Law of the Sea Conference.

The debate was concluded.

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the distant past. Later came the colonial period, with its legacy of
Baroque palaces and richly decorated churches like Santa Prisca in Taxco... Baroque palaces and menty decorated churches like Santa Frisca in Taxco... and, more recently, the explosion of modern Mexico, proudly typified by the capital, Mexico City, with its broad avenues, tree-shaded parks, and museums, housing innumerable treasures of the labulous past as well as striking examples of contemporary Mexican art, not forgetting Guadalajara, a large up-to-date town which has succeeded in preserving Guadalajara, a large up-to-date rown which has succeeded in preserving its old-world charm. Here too are many beach resorts, some of them world-famous like Acapulco, Puerto Vallerta, Mazatlan and Cancum; othe more unspoiled, featuring immense expanses of fine sand, fringed by tropical vegetation such as Extapa-Zihuatanejo, Careyes and the beaches of Baja California. There is a wide range of hotels and restaurants. serving delicious Mexican specialities. And everywhere you'll encounter a hospitality as warm as the sunshine which this

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Minister's apology

Mr Nicholas Edwards, Secretary of State for Wales, made a personal statement apologizing to Mr Alec Jones, thet Opposition spokesman on Wales, for suggesting during a debate on Wales that he might have been drinking. He said he withdrew the suggestion, which was unjustified.

Mr Edwards said: I wish to make a personal statement about an incident that occurred during a series of interventions by Mr Jones in the course of the wind up speech by Mr Michael

Roberts, Under Secretary of State for Wales, at the end of the debate on Wales, at the end of the debate on Wales, at the end of the debate on Welsh affairs last Thursday.

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Mr Daive Mellor, Under Sec-retary of State for Energy, indicating this in a written reply, said he had seen recent reports suggesting that overcharging continued to be a problem. The Office of Fair Trading had looked into this previously

to combat such terrorist acts, The Bill was not limited to the taking of hostages for purposes connected with terrorism, but

nuent for life.

Lord Bishopston, For the Opposition, said events over the years, here and abroad, had given public confidence and assured potential offenders of the dwindling hopes of success they had if they attempted such outrages in Great Britain or elsewhere. The Labour Party welcomed the Bill as it appeared that no adequate legislation at present did the task intended by this measure.

The events of the weekend showed that Britain had for some time developed procedures which made it clear what hi-luckers might expect here.

The Bill was read a second

Check on electricity charges

recruited.

Electricity consultative councils, citizens' advice bureaus and other bodies have been asked to gather evidence from this month through to November about overcharging by landlords for electricity used by private tenants renting flats and bed-sitters.

Britain to ratify anti-hijack convention

HOUSE OF LORDS

Taking of Hostages Bill.

The Bill, he said, was designed to enable the United Kingdom to ratify the international convention against the taking of hostages. It was non-controversial and he hoped would be welcomed. The convention had been open for signature at the United Nations in New York in December, 1979, and was signed.

Because the United Kingdom wished to mark and reaffirm its opposition to the taking of hostages and take all appropriate steps to discourage and prevent it, it would be ready to add its

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POLLUTION

It was in Britain's national interest not only to devise the best system for preventing oil pollution of the sea and dealing with it when it occurred, but to grocure international agreements, Lord Campbell of Croy (C) said when he opened a debate on environmental pollution.

The debate took place on the recommendations of the reports of the royal commission on oil pollution of the sea, and two EEC treports.

Lord Campbell of Croy said it was important to take the reports seriously because no other country in the world had so much at stake. There could be serious effects on the long and exposed coast line from an oil pollution incident.

Oil in tankers was being carried in vast quantifies through home waters. Britain was now in the first league of oil producing countries. They could not fail to be concerned about oil fields near the coast time.

The greatest threat arose from the possibility of a major incident.

Lord Bishopston, for the Opposition, said it was important to was important to take the reports serious effects on the long and exposed coast line from an oil pollution incident.

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incident.

Lord Bishopston, for the Opposition, said it was important to maintain high standards of vessels, maintenance, operational conditions and crew competence. On occasions when thousands of tons of crude oil were being carried, the safety precautions were not all that they should be.

Lord Nathan (Ind), a member of the royal commission, said when areas of high nature conservation interest were damaged by oil

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Benn aide wins key post on TGWU executive

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Fransport and General Workers Union (TGWU).

In a convincing, first ballot
victory, Mr Walter Greendale, a Hull docker, took 19
executive council votes
against 12 for by his more
moderate rival, Mr Brian
Nigholson, leader of the
Labour Party conference for all other grades, amount
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exididate, Mr Dan Duffy,
from Scotland, regarded as a
leitwinger, picked up only
four votes.

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which was expected to go to several ballots, gives a reasonably reliable indication of the political balance in the TGWU leadership. As a result of executive elections in recent months it is clear that the left now enjoys at least a 2-1 majority.

Healey leadership axis.

Yorkshire miners are boycott any functions held honour of Mr Joy O Yorkshire miners are to boycott any functions held in honour of Mr Joseph 2—1 majority.

Mr Greendale, aged 55, is a long-time socialist who was influential in last year's campaign to win trade union yotes for the Benn candidacy in their ballot (Ronald urged members to accept the forms of industrial action in coal board's last wages offer pursuance of the claim."

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Barusley).
The Yorkshire area council yesterday passed a resolution condemning Mr Gormley for his action and instructing the members on the boycott.

Mr Arthur Scargill, his the union to sare regions on an early region. be reelected every two years, to enjoy a decade of authority.

It is also significant that
Mr Greendale, who is a
member of the TUC general

successor, who bitterly attacked him at the time, said after yesterday's meeting that he felt the matter was off the agenda and over, but Brodsworth and Grimethorpe branches had submitted the resolution and demanded it be dealt with.

council, should assume responsibility at a time when the balance of power has shifted away from the fultime leaders of the transport union to the rank-and-file be dealt with.

Mr Scargill said it instructed the three NEC members from Yorkshire Man shot in members from Yorkshire
"not to attend any functions
where the NEC or anybody
else are going to say thanks
to Mr Gormiey". In answer
to questions Mr Scargill said
he had never opposed any
resolution passed by his area
council:

Earlier, a new hard line
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and another chubbed with a
pickage handle as they tried
to stop an armed bank raid in
West London, yesterday. The
raiders, carrying a rifle, a
shortgun and a pistol, escaped
with £50,000 from the

last two years. Recent takeovers of the dyers and bleachers and agricultural workers will boost the policy emerged in three union's membership by resolutions the area council 110,000 to 1.8 million, far are to send to the union's

The resolution says: Un-less the NCB meet this demand in full the NEC is instructed to call a special delegate conference to con-sider the position. If this conference rejects the coal board's offer the NEC be instructed to recommend in a ballot vote that they be given authority to take various forms of industrial action in

instructs the executive that if the board's offer is rejected at the special delegate con-ference it should impose an immediate overtime ban from the date of the conference. A third resolution to the national conference calls on

tiations on an early retire-ment scheme for surface Again, if the union does not receive a satisfactory

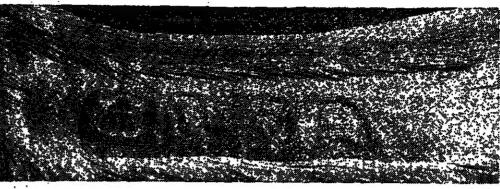
response a special delegate conference should consider industrial disruption including strike action.

with £50,000 from the National Westminster bank in

NEWS IN



Modern science takes a hand in the fight Topo and Beauty are among 10,000 horses in Britain which have been freeze-marked identification numbers in an attempt to deter thieves. Beauty's mark-ing could clearly be seen yesterday at Modasa Stables, Chal-font St Peter, Buckinghamshire. Above, Topo receives its number.



Loophole fear in toxic waste controls

By David Nicholson-Lord .

Government proposals to control imports of dangerous chemical waste leave a loop-hole which could allow waste to be abandoned in Britain, according to the Association of County Councils.

A series of controversies

last year involving foreign waste led to fears that Britain was becoming a "toxic dustbin" for countries like The Netherlands and West Germany, which have more stringent environmental protection. After emergency meetings with local authorities, the Department of the Environment published its counter-proposals in

But, according to the counties, which are expected to release their evidence later this week, those proposals are inadequate because councils would still have insufficient warning of waste arriving in Britain.

Calls for the counties to

be given new legislative powers to ban certain consignments, and for the Government to use its prohibition powers under the Control of Pollution Act, have also apparently been rejected. So too, the association says, has the proposal from the Lords Select Committee on Science and Technology that importers

That happened in the most notorious case last year, when 22,000 tonnes of phenolic and industrial solvent waste from The Netherlands "turned up" at British docks without adequate disposal arrangements. The importing attangements. The importing company, Riafield, shortly afterwards went bankrupt. Phenol, although said to be highly diluted in the consignment, is extremely poisonous and corrosive.

Nine monthe later, it remains in storage tanks at Humberside and Southampton while proposals to dump

should be required to take it at sea have drawn strong out insurance against bank- protests from Greenpeace, the international environment group. Greenpeace has objected to British Petroleum, one of the "holding" firms, and also to the Ministry of Agriculture

> According to the Imming ham Storage Company, which has another 8,220 tonnes of the Dutch waste, incineration and dumping at sea would leave only a soluble mist of hydrochloric acid. But Greenpeace says that defects procedures of the ships employed might also produce clouds of DDT.

Health fee for foreign students is attacked

By Annabel Ferriman

Britain's 70,000 overseas students are going to provide Elm of the £6m which is to be raised from charging over-seas visitors for health service care, Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, said yestur-

day.
Students on government grants would have their health insurance premiums paid for them, but others would have no help with the payments.

Mr Fowler was being questioned by the race re-lations and immigration subcommittee of the House of Commons Home Affairs Committee and faced hostile questions from the Labour members.

Mr Alexander Lyon, Labour MP for York, accused the Government of creating a potentially explosive situ-ation by introducing a new charging system to raise £6m, which was "peanuts".

Mr Fowler said it was "grotesque overstatement" to suggest it would create an explosive situation. He said £6m could pay the salaries of about 900 ward sisters.

He said the new procedures which were announced in Parliament last week and which will come into effect form October 1, would consist of a few simple nitial questions to establish whether someone was nor-mally resident in Britain, and only if it became clear that they were not, would they be subjected to more detailed questioning by a senior member of staff. No one would be required to produce a passport, though some people might choose to, and only very rarely would it be necessary to consult the Rome Office to establish someone's liability.

Mr Lyon said: precisely that fear which animates the black population.

More home news on page 23

Family conciliation scheme reprieved

The Government is shortly to announce the setting up of land and Wales was the a high-level committee of highest in the EEC, she said, senior civil servants to monitor the value of family costs of marriage breakdown conclisation schemes which and disarce are higher than aim to resolve matrimonial they need be. The burden of disputes out of court and these costs falls not only on determine what swims they need to concerned but determine what saving they the couples concerned, but contribute to public expendiation also their children and on the ture.

The decision, which comes affected by uncertainty or conflict, over custody and

to unseat Mr Denis Healey that failed only by a whisker. His election seals for the next two critical years the political direction of the TGWU lay executive. And if precedent is followed he will be reelected exerct two years.

members who make up its executive. But the left's success comes at a time of sharply declining TGWU membership.

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The decision, which comes affected by uncertainty or after pressure from the Law Conflict over custody and consistency as well as other groups, means that the many custody and access pioneer scheme, the Bristol difficulties can be resolved, if Courts' Family Conciliation conciliation takes place early Service, which faced closure, before contested court proparity reprieved.

prieved.

The Government and local The cost savings of a authority is to fund the national family conciliation scheme with an estimated acheme could be great. In £30,000 for a year, so that it 1980-81, nearly half the total may act as a sample service money spent on civil legal aid together with others for went on matrimonial promonitoring by the committee ceedings. and the formulation of long-term government policy on conciliation.

In its report on legal aid, the Law Society said that what seemed to be lacking, in

The Bristol scheme was set view of the "considerable up on a full-time basis in 1979 importance of conciliation on a grant mainly from the services both to the parties number of counciliation services both to the parties and to the procedure of run out this April) to help courts" was a coherent putes reach out of court settlements on such questions as custody of children, access, money and property.

Mrs Lies Parkinson courts

importance of conciliation services both to the parties and to the procedure of run out this April) to help courts" was a coherent policy to ascertain what sort of service would be most effective in the long term.

The services would be most effective in the long term.

The services would be most effective in the long term.

Mrs Lisa Parkinson, organizer, said yesterday: "We are relieved that the service has totalling some £800 per relieved that the service has been given the opportunity to couple where both parties are continue for a further year and contribute to this review of the system of handling matrimonial cases and in particular matrimonial disputes before public money had been saved and the suttes.

Mr Desmond Wilcox, the elevision producer, told a

High Court judge yesterday that allegations in Private Ege magazine that he had abused his position with the

BBC to make money for himself were "extremely

mr Wilcox married to Esther Rantzen, hostess of the That's Life television programme is suing Private Eye for damages for alleged libel in five articles published in 1975 when he headed the BBC's general features department.

The articles coincided with

the showing of the BBC2 series Explorers, and the publication of a book of the series written by Mr Wilcox.

Mr Anthony Hoolahan, QC, for Mr Wilcox, said: "The idea from the articles is that he set up the whole thing; prompted the IV series and organized himself as the author of the book with a view to making himself a very large amount of money out of it."

The articles also accused Mr Wilcox, who made £12,000 from the book, of knowingly and wrongfully infringing the copyright of the series

damaging and hurtful". Mr Wilcox married to

'Private Eye' allegations

Mr Desmond Wilcox

Mr Wilcox was not require to make any contribution to

"The allegations are ver

far from the truth, and subjected him to a great deal of unjust and unfair crit-cism," Mr Hoolahan said. Mr

Wilcox, of Chiswick Quay,

west London, who worked for the BBC from 1965 until 1980, said he was 'very disturbed and upset' at the

Private Eye allegations.

the damages or costs".

'hurtful' to Wilcox

SUMMARY Hospital buys water at Boots

> Instead of replacing cost of £100,000, a London it needs from Boots at about the same cost over four months. St Thomas's Hospital, claims the needless expendi-ture is the result of Depart-

ment of Health rules. A spokesman for the 1,000-bed teaching hospital said it faced the bill because money was available in its revenue account for day-to-day running avantage but had in the capital account used to buy new equipment. He said that health authorities were al-lowed to transfer only one per cent of cash from the revenue account capital account in a financial

But a health department spokesman described the explanitation for the waste as very odd. In principle only one per cent can be trans-ferred but we have arranged larger transfers for other

hospitals.
Since the hospital's 10year-old machine broke down in December £45,000 has been spent on distilled water from Boots. The same amount is expected to be spent before a new machine arrives at the start of the next financial year.

Police hunt for widow's killer

Police in Hampshire were yesterday hunting the mur-derer of a widow aged 86: Mrs Annie Majors was found battered to death on Sunday in her flat which had been set ablaze in Ballards Close, Southam Estate, Basings-

A post mortem carried out by Dr Peter Pullar, a Home Office pathologist, revealed that she had died from multiple injuries to the head.

Flu kills seven in home for aged

A influenza epidemio which swept through a War-wickshire old people's home killed seven residents and made 15 seriously ill. Four women and three men have died during the past few days at the council-run Tiddington Field home in Stratford on

Hooded raider

Police are hunting a man in his early 20s, wearing a parka with fur hood, who walked into Lloyds Bank in Shrivenbam, Wiltshire, yes-terday, held a pistol to a woman's neck and fled with

Princess home

the copyright of the series

Mr Wilcox is suing Press
scriptwriters.

But Mr Hoolahan said that (Printer) Ltd, publishers and in 1977 a group of script writers received f54,000 Mr Richard Ingrams, its damages from the BBC in a editor. The hearing continues

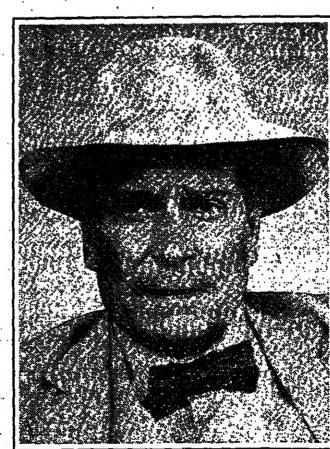
Princess Michael of Kent, who had a gall bladder operation last week, left King Edward VII Hospital for Officers, London, yesterday for her home at Kensington Princess Michael of Kent, who had a gall bladder operation last week, left King Edward VII Hospital for TONIGHT AT 900

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Palestinian shot dead in Madrid

Madrid. — A Palestinian was shot dead in Madrid yesterday and the Palestine Liberation Organization blamed the killing on Mossad, the Israeli secret service. A man approached Mr Nabil Aranki Wadi, aged 34, from behind as he walked in the street near his home and shot him twice in the back of the head, police said. Mr shot him twice in the back of the head, police said. Mr Wadi was said to have returned to Madrid from Beirut several days ago on an Iraqi passport. He was born in Haifa, had lived in Spain since 1972 and lived in Spain since 1972 and studied pharmacy in Salamanca, the Spanish news agency said.

Jet and van in runway collision Frankfurt.—An airport van driver escaped with minor injuries when his vehicle was

injuries when his vehicle was involved in a runway collision with a barely-airborne jumbo jet, Frankfurt airport officials said.

The Lufthansa airliner, bound for San Francisco with 247 passengers, lost two undercarriage covers and sustained a 10-yard scratch along the rear fuselage. The van was a write-off.

TUC seeks action on Turkev

British trade union leaders have asked Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary, to deny all assistance to the authorities in Ankara "so as to isolate the Turkish military regime until trade union tary regime until trade union freedoms are restored" (Paul

that police had also un-covered nine Red Brigades

Seal ships blessed

St John's Newfoundland. Christian clergymen blessed six ships and their crews who will take part in Canada's controversial annual seal hunt. About 1,000 people attended an inerdenomi-national service here.

Schmidt defends ministers in bribes scandal

From Patricia Clough, Bonn, March 1

Herr Helmut Schmidt, the them, the two ministers and West German Chancellor, Herr Lahnstein could be today stood firmly by two expected to resign.

Senior ministers and his top aide, under investigation in apparent attempt to put the senor innesters and his top aide, under investigation in an alleged bribery and tax evasion affair which has shaken the already strained

Government.

The Chancellor and the Cabinet today discussed the implications of the formal investigation announced by the Bonn Public Prosecutor against nine prominent figures in politics and industry, including Count Otto Lambsdorff, the Economics Minister, Herr Hans Matthöfer, the Finance Minister, and Herr Manfred Lahnstein, the head of the Chancellery.

The three are suspected of Vorteilsannahme, which implies that they may have accepted bribes for helping firms to avoid paying taxes. After the meeting, Herr Kurt Becker, the Government's spokesman, read a statement saying the two ministers and Count Lambsdorff had emphatically denied the allegations and were convinced that their names would be cleared.

The Chancellor had com-

The Chancellor had complete confidence in all three and saw on reason to suspend or remove them from their posts. They had demanded that the public prosecutor hear them immediately and inform them charitable organizations
of the details of the suspicions against them. They
complained that this had so
rerouted to the parties'

The Government also urged the prosecutor's office to conduct the investigations as quickly as possible so that the matter could be cleared up rapidly.

president Carstens, in an apparent attempt to put the affair into perspective, said in an interview today that it was wrong to speak of a crisis or a German Watergape. "One should not overestimate these things," he said, "The people have confidence in our state and our dence in our state and our

parties.

The investigations came on top of a long series of troubles for Herr Schmidt, including dissention within the two coalition parties and deep differences between them on important policies. Curiously, these investi gations have the advantage since Herr Matthöfer is a Social Democrat and Count Lambsdorff a Free Democrat — of uniting them in their problems.

Criticism from th oppo-sition is muted, for members of the Christian Democrat Party are also among the nine under investigations. The names of the two ministers have been linked in the West German press for some time with investigations into alleged tax evasion by the three main parties in their fund-aising activities. It has long been passively accepted that donors — particularly large firms — are encouraged to donate tax-

coffers at home. An agreement among the parties on an amnesty for such offenders was dropped after a public outcry. President Castens is expected soon

The minister claimed that the meetings had taken place at General Walls's Salisbury

He was barred from Zunbabwe after admitting in a ing a violent backlash.

BBC television interview that while rallies of the ruling he had considered leading a military coup against Mr forum for populist stateMangabe.

ment would not 135 p.

which has 27 seats. Sandwiched between the two will be the moderately reformist New Republic Party of Mr Vause Raw.

protected by his position and that if he was convicted he would be imprisoned.

home. The general was also alleged to be recruiting groups of dissident Zimbabweans to carry out sabotage operations here.

He was barred from Zimbabwe after admitting in a single violent berklash

On target for Guatemalan poll



way: With political killings now running at more than 400 a month, Guatemala shows signs of equalling El Salvador in the ferocity of its internal struggles. Although American military aid was banned in 1977 because of human rights

Treurnicht

opposition

From Michael Hornsby Johannesburg, March 1

to join

the Guatemalan Army blamed for most of the killings — continues to move its soldiers in American lorries and Jeeps. Such vehicles essential to counter-insurgency, have been removed from the embargo list. With elections due next Sunday, kidnappings,

massacres and attacks are increasing, and the recent unification of four main guerrilla groups is likely to intensify the violence. The Reagan Administration is seeking to resume military shipments to Guatemala, and \$250,000 has been earmarked for military training

Salvadorean dilemma

Reagan's options running out

to solitate the direction must be solitated to control the control of the control El Salvador is becoming the top foreign policy issue confronting the Reagan Administration. However, it is growing increasingly clear that the Administration is uncertain how to proceed if

The dilemma facing the President and his advisers is simple but stark. On the one hand, they want to prevent the insurgents from taking power, on the grounds that the establishment of a left-wing regime in El Salvador, in addition to Nicaragua lemma is compounded by (supported by Cuba), would pose a threat to other countries in the area, notably Guatemala; Honduras and Costa Rica.

Salvador, emphasized the need for foreign policy to be backed up by domestic support. "By any reasonable measure, Mr Reagan is failing that test in El Salvador, in addition to Nicaragua lemma is compounded by lack of support for its present policy among its allies.

Furthermore, America's southern neighbour. Mexico.

the direct involvement of though not opposed to this American forces.

Opinion in the United beginning to lean towards a States is divided on whether negotiated settlement.

America should become more deeply involved in El Salva-Portillo of Mexico has said dor. Some conservatives have that chances of peace in El accused the Administration Salvador have been diminof dragging its feet, and are urging the President to use recent tough speech about El Salvador as an example to show the world that the United Stated will stand up for its friends when they are Monde, President Lopez Porthreatened by communist tille said that he would,

show the world that the United Stated will stand up for its friends when they are threatened by communist expansionism.

However, the conservatives are in the minority. Opinion polls show that there is strong public sentiment against a military effort to help the Salvadorean Government.

A leading article in The in an interview with Le Monde, President Lopez Portunde, President L

A leading article in The the Mexican Foreign Minis.

New York Times today, which ter, and Mr Alexander Haig.

was stronly critical of the the American Secretary of

President's stance on El State.

part of Cyprus under foreign occupation; it should allow all refugees to return to their homes; and it should enable the people of Cyprus, both Greeks and Turks, to enjoy the rights of an independent. integral, demilitarized, and

Except for sporadic machine-gun bursts in the
Turkish sector, near the
dividing "green line", attributed to army exercises,
there has been so far no
reaction from the Turkish-Papandreou's visit which has given the Greek-Cypriots fresh hope for a solution.

Papandreou was only paying

Poland: Disillusion grows

Glemp joins swing against Jaruzelski

From Roger Boyes, Warsaw, March 1

Fresh evidence of the these committees in a sermon hardening of Poland's Roman on January 24 but in his Catholic Church towards the country's martial law country's martial law authorities has emerged from himself. the secret minutes of a Some of his attitudes seem conversation between Archbishop Jozef Glemp, the is worried about individual

This conversation, held soon after his return from talks with the Pope last month, reveals that the Primate expects increasingly sharp treatment of the Church and individual priests by the hardline factions in the Communist Party. The Church has publicly denied this but the Primate also said that he believed that lists of priests eligible for arrest had been drawn up.
The Primate has usually

urged his bishops — some of whom have wanted a much tougher line against the Government — to remember Government — to remember that General Wojciech Jaruzelski, the Prime Minister and party leader, is a moderate. However, he appears to have changed his opinion since his visit to Rome.

"This is an earlier qualification that does not fit him any more", the minutes quote the Primate as saying.

quote the Primate as saying Archbishop Glemp still thinks it essential that thinks it essential that General Jaruzelski continues in power and describes him as the last chance for Poland. as the last chance for roland.

The Primate has also changed his view of committees of national salvation, local consultative groups that are trying to bolster the power of the party lin the provinces by admitting non-party members with local apertise. He tacitly praised

recent meetling with diplo-mats explicitly distanced

read from Polish pulpits on Sunday, the bishops drove home their message calling for an amnesty for prisoners, an end to internment, an end to persectution at the wor-kplace and the restoration of

Some of his attitudes seem

Archbishop Glemp has drawn much closer to the main caucus of Poland's bishops, who have consistently advocated strict criticism of the martial law authorities. In a communication

bishop Jozef Glemp, the is worried about individual Polish Primate, and Western priests who distribute antistate documents and he is worried about the effect of American sanctions on food supplies in Poland. "If you fight for freedom with too much enthusiasm you run the risk of losing it", he said, drawing parallels between American policies of Poland and the incautious attitudes of some of the radicals in or some or the rankars in Solidarity, the suspended trade union organization.

The main message that comes through is of disillusionment with the Government, which despite its

commitment to dialogue was commitment to dialogue was making no progress. "It would be wrong to talk about dialogue havling taken place since December 13 (the day that martial law was declared)" the Primate is quoted as saying.

Archbishop Glemp has

authorities. In a communique civil rights as a precondition for genuine dialogue with the



Glemp preaching in Warsaw on Sunday.

position is the direct result of his talks with the Pope or of pressure from his Bishops, or external factors such as coldness on the part of the Diplomats in Warsaw dis-

count the possibility of the Pope having urged a tougher position. In talks in Rome shortly after his meetings with the Pope. The Primate seemed to be still his old moderate self, mildly optimistic that a solution. tic that a solution could be found to the Polish crisis within the current frame-work. In public, the Primate The question puzzling found to the Polish crisis within the current frame-diplomats is whether this work. In public, the Primate hardening of the Primate's emphasizes conciliation and

the need to avoid violence, indeed did so in short addresses over the weekend.

There is also mystery about the christening of the daughter of Mr Lech Walesa, the interned Solidarirty leader. Originally, his parish priest, Hendryk Jankowski, had said that the christening would probably take place on March 7 in Gdansk. The authorities expressed an in-itial willingness to release Mr Walesa temporarily for the occasion but have been reluctant to allow him to go to Gdansk where consider-able opposition continues.

☐ London: More than 900 Poles have been given per-mission to extend their stay in Britain since the beginning of the crisis in Poland late last year according to the Home Office. Government policy is to renew visas for Britain while the situation remains uncertain (Stewart Tendler writes).

A spokesman for the Home Office said that no one would be forced to return to Poland Geneva: Mr Walesa has been visited by delegates of the International Committee of the Red Cross (Alan McGregor writes). In revealing this today, the committee's president, Mr Alexandre Hay, declining to give further details said the Red Cross had three teams in Poland for visiting detainees and intended to speed up its programme.

☐ Washington: Romania has which the United States demanded last week on commodity loans and had denied any parallel with Poland's debt problems (Our Foreign Staff writes).

Death squad victims vanish From Paul Eliman, San Salvador, March 1

absence of police patrols was all the more remarkable in view of the massive security

salvador yesterday, to co-incide with the second anni-versary of a masacre of mourners at the funeral of

the assassinated Archibishop

party.

So Dr Treurnicht and his men seem likely to form a new right-wing opposition group of 19 MPs, reducing the National Party's strength from 142 to 121. The biggest opposition party will remain the Anti-Apartheid Progressive Federal Party, led by Dr Frederik Van Zyl Slabbert, which has 27 seats. Sandwiched between the two will In circumstances chillingly reminiscent of a massacre here last month, unidentified armed men raided homes in the capital yesterday, and dragged away young men.

The raids took place in a neighbourhood of mean shacks that straggles down the sides of a ravine four blocks from the Sheraton Hotel, at the foot of the San

Residents, who last night said the armed men had returned to threaten them if they spoke to increate them if they spoke to journalists, reported that the raiders had sought out all the young men in the neighbourhood aged between 15 and 20, tied their hands behind their backs, and took them ages in 55 and took them away in a fleet of minibuses.

The residents said that the raiders were dressed civilians, but carried civilians, but carried G3 assault rifles, a weapon used by both sides in the Salvado-

16 SURVIVE

FIVE DAYS

ON RAFT

weinington, March I. — An American skipper today de-scribed how he and 15 friends survived five days in inflatable liferafts after their

by freak waves off New Lealand. Mr Evan Logan said that a

New Zealander, Julie Os-borne, had drowned in the

mountainous seas, but the others "all came up in about the same place along with the liferafts. It was a stroke of

clamber on board the life-rafts amid 6 ft waves.

They were finally picked up yesterday after shining a torch at a Russian fisheries

support vessel. Two of the men and four women were later treated for saltwater

Wellington, March 1. -

of El Salvador.

rean war. They also noted remained unknown today, that there had been no police but their disappearance repatrols of the neighbourhood flected a trend which is at all yesterday.

Normally they said there Normally, they said, there was a heavy police presence in their neighbourhood. The

Apparently because of the glare of publicity that has focused on excesses committed against the civilian population, the "death squads" and other groups responsible for political violence in El Salvador, are increasingly taking their increasingly taking their victims to so far undintified places to dispose of them. "We know that human

of El Salvador.

A spokesman for the bigger scale than ever, but national police said he had "no knowledge" of the abduction.

The young men were seized not far from San ask us how do we know that human rights are being violated on a bigger scale than ever, but we're not finding the bodies.

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The whereabouts of the who asked to remain anonyvictims of the latest raid mous.

US and China play it cool

President Reagan and Mr Zhao Ziyang, the Chinese Prime Minister, exchanged low-key letters yesterday to low-key letters yesterday to mark the tenth anniversary of renewed ties between the two countries, but made no two countries, but made no direct reference to their controversy over the supply of American arms to Taiwan. In his letter, Mr Reagan declared his willingness to work with Peking to "overcome differences and deepen American-China ties". Mr Zhao's letter said that the development of Sino-American relations was not only in the fundamental interests of "our two peoples, but also the fundamental interests of "our two peoples, but also conducive to the maintenance of peace and stability in Asia and the world as a whole".

He did not refer to China's strong objections to sales of military aircraft and other weapons to Taiwan but said his Government was willing to make efforts to "overcome the obstales.

the obstacles currently existing in the relations between the two countries."

Prime Minister. This opened the way to full diplomatic relations between the two countries from January 1, 1979. Both Washington and Peking allowed the anniversary to pass yesterday without any public celebrations, thus reflecting the lack of warmth in their current relations. Neither of the two leaders mentioned their strained relations with the Soviet Union. But a State Department spokesman answering allow Taiwan to co-produce F5E fighters, although, as an

ing, it ruled out the suppply of more advanced aircraft.

President Reagan's letter said bilateral ties now encompassed trade, banking, maritime affairs, civil aviation, agriculture, educational and scientific exchange, technology transfer and many other fields. Well over 100,000 Americans and Chinese now flowed back and

forth between the two countries each year. These good relations enhanced the prospects for peace and stability throughout the Asia-Pacific region and beyond, he said.

The President expressed the desire to build an even stronger bilateral and stra-

retations with the Soviet Union. But a State Department spokesman answering reporters' questions said the the shared global, strategic obvious concession to Peking, it ruled out the supply of more advanced aircraft.

The shared global, strategic and regional interests of Peking and Washington far outweighed their differences.

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Papandreou rejects package on Cyprus

From Marie Mediano Nicosia, March 1

Nicosia, March 1
Mr Andreas Papandreou, the Greek Prime Minister, rejected today the idea of a package deal with Turkey to solve the problems of Cyprus and the Aegean. Both issues were, as he put it, the products of Turkish expansionism which the West had failed to bridle.

The Prime Minister was outlining his Government's new strategy on Cyprus during a news conference just before flying back home after two days in Cyprus which, he said, had made him feel proud to be a Greek.

Greece, according to Mr

Greece, according to Mr Papandreou, would reactivate its role as a guarantor power of Cyprus by launching a worldwide crusade to explain the true nature of the Cyprus problem as a case of "foreign invasion and occupation of an independent state".

He added: "We shall never forget that Britain, which is

also a guarantor power, failed to fulfil its obligations owards the Cypriot people. Greece has an effective military presence in Cyprus, and Mr Papandreou under-lined this by unveiling today a memorial for the 44 dead a memorial for the 44 dead and 61 missing officers and men of the Greek Army contingent in Cyprus who gave their lives during what the unit's acting commander described as "the barbarous invasion of the age-old enemy

of our race".

Mr Papandreou was asked during the press conference if he would favour a package if he would favour a package solution for Cyprus and the Aegean. He answered that the two issues were historically interlinked since they sprang from Turkish expansionism. Yet Cyprus was a problem of Turkish occupation, while the Aegean was a Greek-Turkish problem which, since both were Nato comprises was a problem for countries, was a problem for the alliance

This redefinition of the two basic issues sums up Mr Papandreou's new strategy towards Turkey.

He appears prepared to tolerate the Cyprus intercommunal talks under United Nations auspices for as long as it is necessary for the Costa Rica.

On the other hand, the favours negotiations between Administration wants to the Government and gueravoid being drawn into a rillas in El Salvador as the situation in which it can only best way of ending the prevent this happening by bloodshed, while Canada, the direct involvement of though not opposed to this happening to lean towards a was launching his crusade to beginning to lean towards a pean countries.

He said today: "This is the time when we are asking our friends to stand up and be counted. Their friendship must be proved."
The Greek leader said he

The Greek leader said he thought there would be action, particularly if international personalities such as Herr Willy Brandt, the former West German chancellor, accepted a role not as a mediator but as a catalyst. He also claimed to detect a possible shift of Soviet policy in the region from what the Soviet press was publishing of late.

Addressing a special session of Parliament in Nicosia last night, he listed three conditions for a Cyprus solution to be acceptable to Greece: It should leave no non-aligned republic.

fresh hope for a solution.

Mr Rauf Denktas, the Turkish Cypriot leader, said in Nicosia today that Mr Papandreou had damaged the prospects for inter-community talks by coming to Cyprus. (Reuter reports). "I think his visit has done a great deal of damage. It will make progress in the talks very much more difficult to achieve".

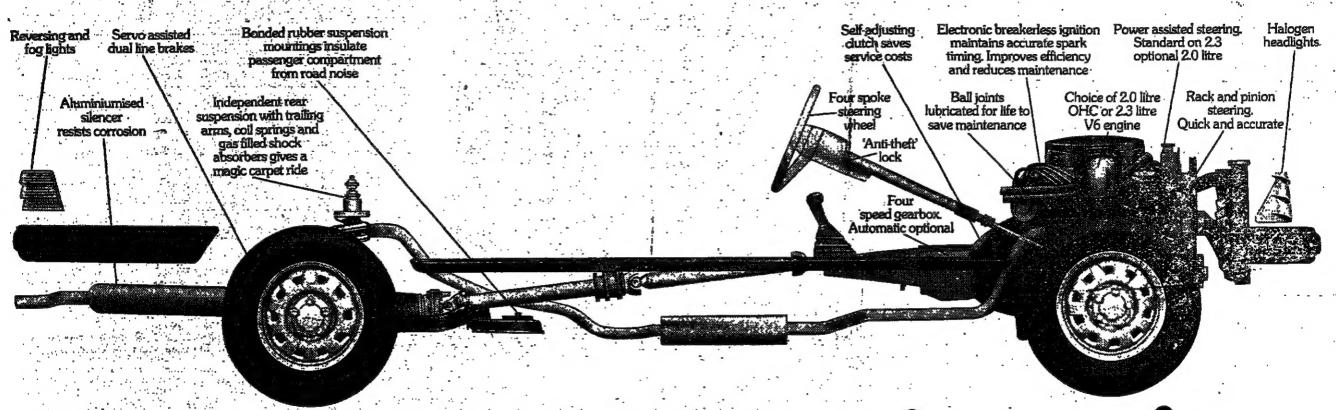
Mr Denktas added that Mr Papandreou was only paying



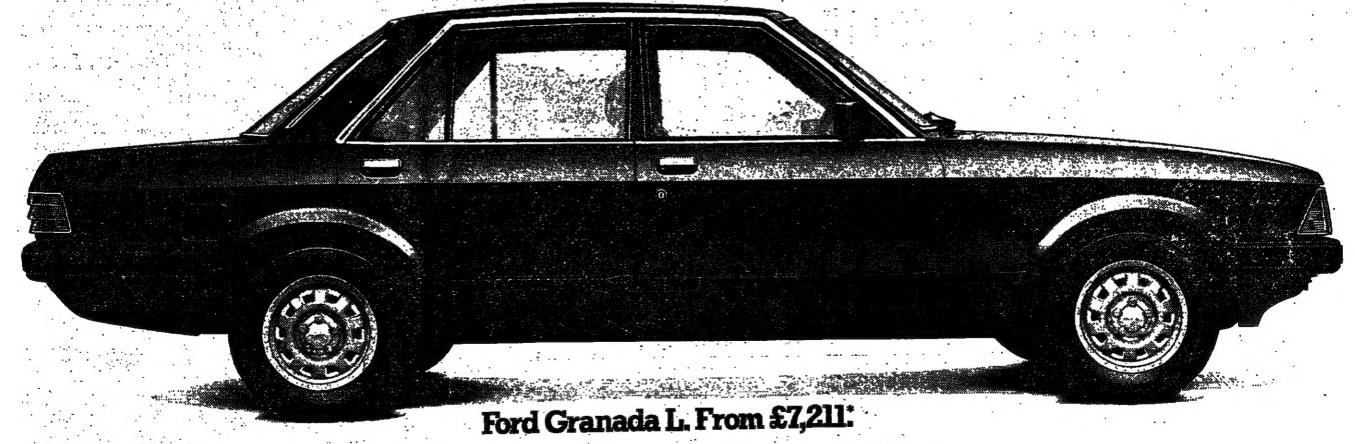
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Palace revolt threatens to kill Reagan budget

From Bailey Morris, Washington, March 1

public scrutiny, it is now budget will not be passed in Congress because of a palace revolt among Republicans who cannot accept the large deficit built into the Presi-

denicit built into the President's proposals.

Over the past turbulent week in Washington, President Reagan has been pressed hard by members of his own party to compromise

on the budget.

Republican leaders in Congress say that they do not have the votes to pass a budget that asks for deeper cuts in programmes for the poor while requesting large increases in defence spending and projecting a cumula-tive, three-year federal deficit of \$246,300m

(£132,400m).
Mr Peter Domenici, the Republican chairman of the Senate Budget Committee, said: This budget fails to do enough to cut spending and accepts almost benignly malignant deficits which threaten to crush all hope of

economic recovery."

Mr Domenici's comments and those of other Republican leaders are the clearest indication of a potentially huge revolt by conservative and moderate Republicans against Mr Reagan's economic programme, which omic programme, which could lead to the complete abandonment of the Presi-

NEWS IN

SUMMARY

Terrorists

blast

New York

New York-A Puerto Rican

terrorist group have claimed responsibility for planting four bombs in the Wall Street

House of Representatives, in which five Congessmen were

Palme defeated

by Gulf War

Stockholm. — Mr Olof Palme, the special United Nations mediator, who said here he had "exhausted all possi-bilities" of bridging the gap

between the warring nations in the 17-month-old Gulf War

after his fifth unsuccessful visit to the capitals of Iran

and iraq.
"There is no way to get

any further as long as the political will to make peace is missing," Mr Palme, the former Swedish Prime Minister, told an airport news conference.

Renounce Yalta,

New York.-Mr Zbigniew

Brzezinski, the former American national security adviser, says the United States should renounce the Yalta agreement reached by Churchill, Roosevelt and Stalin in

1945 and seek a better accommodation with the

Soviet Union.

He told Newsweek: "Ve should renounce Yalta, which most Europeans, both East and West, view as symbolic of a Soviet-American condominium of Furope But at the

minium of Europe. But at the same time—and this is some-thing this Administration has

not done—we should hold out to the Soviet Union, in a more tangible and concrete fashion, the possibilty of genuine benefits from accom-modation".

America urged

wounded by gunfire.

After weeks of intense public scrutiny, it is now appearent that President Reagan's controversial 1983 adopted quickly.

Almost everyone in both parties agreed that quick don the President action on the budget is and join with Democrats in needed to shore up the faltering economy before the November election when all third of the Senate must stand for reelection.

House members and one third of the Senate must stand for reelection.

However, Mr Reagan to change his position which now appears unlikely; or they can abandon the President altogether action on the budget is and join with Democrats in forging a compromise budget with broad bipartisan support.

The last possibility has third of the Senate must stand for reelection.

However, Mr Reagan is already been explored by Mr Michel who has met with leading Democrats in the House to discuss a budget compromise and a legislative three-year tax cuts he has schedule to enable it to be

own party members.

own party members.
There appears to be agreement among Republicans and Democrats that Mr Reagan must take three unpopular steps to turn the economy around.
These include some sort of

These include some sort of tax increase to be accomplished possibly by rescinding the third year of Mr Reagan's planned 10 per cent tax cut; a freeze on the cost of living increases on several security benefits; and alarge cut in defence spending.

These actions are included

abandonment of the President.

Should there be a big uprising, Mr Reagan could have his hands tied for the rest of his presidency—becoming a lame duck leader—in the opinion of veteran party leaders in Washington.

To prevent this, Republiance abandonment of the President.

The White House has agreed to study Mr Domenici's plans without proposing to adopt any of its main components which raises a series of difficult political choices for all concerned.

Republicans in Congress appear to have three choices for all concerned.

compromise on either the big three-year tax cuts he has schedule to enable it to be enacted, or on defence spending. Despite pleas from Mr for example, he met Mr Howard Baker, the majority James Wright of Texas, the leader of the House, the House majority leader, and Prsident continues to turn a Mr James Jones, chairman of deaf ear to the appeals of his the House Budget Com-

The Democrats, acting on the belief that their most effective political course is to develop a responsible, alternative budget, appear quite willing to compromise in the interest of getting a budget passed before the

Reaching a compromi Reagan's planned 10 per cent tax cut; a freeze on the cost of living increases on several security benefits; and alarge cut in defence spending.

These actions are included in the alternative budget announced last week by Mr Domenici with the tacit approval of Mr Baker and other Republican leaders in Congress.

Reaching a compromise, will, however, be difficult. "Raising taxes and cutting defence and social benefits are politically explosive taken if we all agree to avoid name-calling and political rhetoric in the interest getting the job done," an aide to Mr Wright, the majority leader, said.

Through a complicated series of manoeuvres, House and Senate leaders hope to force Mr Reagan to accept defence spending and tax cuts by linking them to the debt ceiling legislation.

Mr Reagan can veto this legislation, but not without bringing the Administration To prevent this, Republiate at present. They can stay bringing the Administration at present last week shuttling between Congress and the White House to try to forge an acceptable compronaction on the budget this cal brinkmanship.

Begin discounts rift

eral over the name of continuing opposition by Jewish militants to the scheduled handback to Egypt of the remaining one third of

four bombs in the Wall Street financial district late on Sunfazy (Clarictopher Thomas writes). The windows of the New York and American stock exchanges were blown out, and other buildings were slightly damaged. Nobody was injured.

The Armed Forces for National Liberation admitted last night's attacks in a telephone call to a press agency. The group has been responsible for about 120 bombings in the New York City area, Chicago and Washington since 1974. Five people have died in the attacks. by the state-controlled radio that Mr Begin had threatened Lieutenant-General Rafael Eitan, the Chief of Staff, with dismissal if he repeated

branded as Nazis and Kapos by Jewish protesters wearing

yellow stars.

erected at the entrance of the official translation issued through the government press office, quoted shuttle diplomacy designed to Israel's longest serving chief preserve the fragile, sevenof staff as expressing the

promptu speech was televised now plans to visit Syria in Israel's main evening news before returning again to programme, continued with Lebanon and Israel.

ABORIGINES

AGREE

MINE DEAL

Darwin, March 1. - Aborig-

that they had reached the basis of an agreement to allow two mining companies to exploit Australia's richest-

known uranium deposit at Jabiluka in the north of the

The agreement was announced by representatives of the traditional

tives of the traditional aboriginal owners of the land

where the uranium is located and by Pancontinental Mining, which has a 65 per cent share in a joint venture

set up to develop the vast

deposit.
Mr Eric Pratt, a lawyer representing the Northern Land Council, which groups aboriginal leaders in the

Northern Territory, said that the agreement was initialled at the weekend after a year

The Jabiluka deposit, 150

miles east of Darwin, is estimated to contain more than 200,000 tonnes of

of negotiations.

Five executed

Tehran.— Five men were executed in the western city of Ilad, on various charges including spyiny for Iraq.

Tahran.— The men were tall has said the mine is expected to have a life of 25 years and produce about 11,000m worth of uranium.

Reuter.

country.

with chief of staff

Efforts were being made tonight to heal a rift which has opened between the Israeli Government and the country's most senior genuces. country's most senior general over the handling of speak to whomever has to be
continuing opposition by spoken to in order that

the remaining one third of occupied Sinai by April 26.

The office of the Prime Minister, Mr Menachem Begin, issued a hasty statement denying reports carried

General Eitan, who is widely renowned for his hawkish political views, addressed the militants through loudspeakers from the back of an Army Jeep. He hinted tabled by the extreme right-that he would lobby for the wing Tehiya Party, which is removal of the new Army barriers if the protesters barricades. would agree to dismantle [Mr Philip Habib, Ameribarricades which they had ca's special envoy to the

spoken to in order that everything returns to its former state."

News of Mr Begin's rebuke was disclosed to the Knes-set's foreign affairs and defence committee today by Mr Ariel Sharon, the Defence Minister. Only hours before, Mr Sharon had informed a that there was no question of the new barricades being removed before April 26.

City area, Chicago and Washington since 1974. Five people have died in the attacks. The bombings marked the twenty-eighth anniversary of an attack by Puerto Rican nationalists on the American House of Representatives, in which five Cerebrate A report in said that some attack of the control of the stop the withdrawal activists in which five Cerebrate A report in prospect of having to evict the settlers. A report in yesterday's Jerusalem Post said that some attack of the cerebrate A report in the settlers. A report in yesterday's Jerusalem Post said that some attack of the cerebrate A report in the settlers. A report in yesterday's Jerusalem Post said that some attack of the cerebrate A report in the settlers. A report in yesterday's Jerusalem Post said that some attack of the cerebrate A report in the settlers. A report in the settlers at midnight on the settlers at midnight on the settlers at the cerebrate A report in the settlers at the ce

said that some soldiers man-ning the new road blocks moved in to evict more than were in tears after being 150 illegal squatters from one of the agricultural settle-ments which surround Yamit. Many of those arrested were religious students from Kiryat Arba.

Tomorrow the ruling co alition will face a no confi-dence motion in the Knesset tabled by the extreme right-

ca's special envoy to the Middle East, beld a series of talks with senior Israeli Ministers today as he con-tinued his latest round of preserve the fragile, seven-month-old ceasefire between of staff as expressing the hope "that matters can be returned to their former state, in other words everyone expresses his views in a way which will not cause reaction".

I month-old ceasethre between month-old ceasethre between lisrael and the Palestinians. He described his discussions with Mr Begin as "satisfactory and fruitful." He also met Mr Shamir the Foreign Victory I is understood he reaction".

The general, whose imMinister. It is understood he



Tanks dig into the poppy fields

their leaky tents.

A blaze of red and pink

themselves up the hills around Hasbaya where the old Roman bridge over the Hasbani river has been repayed for the local shep-herds.

herds.

Just south of Deir el Ahmar — a village bi chickens, puddles and concrete bungalows — Syrian tanks are dug into the fields, a clutch of dirty-fleeced sheep leaning elegiacally against their gun barrels.

A mile or two from the little checkpoint where Nepal's United Nations troops — Gurkha knives in their belts — guard the United Nation's morthern lines, a solitary Palestinian lorry stands in a desolate orchard with a Katyusha rocket battery mounted be-

rocket battery mounted be-hind the tailboard.

To the east, the snows of Golan — silver in the morning sunlight — smother the Israelis high altitude bunkers. If Israeli and Arab should go to war here in the next few weeks, they will have the statement of th have chosen a majestic field

of battle.
According to the deputy commander of Norway's United Nations Battalion, which operates here with the Nepalese, there really is no war in sight. A tall, reticent

charges.

The incident

when he attended the funeral

of a local chief of the Republican People's Party at

to take refuge at the town's police headquarters. There he had been infuriated by the

police chief and the governor who, in his presence, had

A princely mission

The Duke of Edinburgh being wel-comed in Delhi by Mrs Indira Gandhi, the Indian Prime Minister. The Duke,

Ecevit denies insulting

From Rasit Gurdilek, Ankara, March 1

Mr Bulent Ecevit, the no reason to adopt any former Social Democrat special measures.

Prime Minister of Turkey, today continued his series of court appearances since the army coup in 1980. He said, adding: "If that quesappeared before a civilian tion is deemed a crime, it court charged with insulting becomes too difficult to the police chief of a central protect the dignity of the

the police chief of a central protect the dignity of the

Anatolian town almost two state, the authority of the years ago. He has denied the state, and the state itself in

Nevsehir, who had been killed by right-wing terrorists in June, 1980.

Mr Ecevit told the court that the funeral procession of the inevitable furore it will

that the funeral procession bad been attacked by a right-wing mob and that it had had

reported to the then Prime found in the home of an Minister over the telephone Algerian in the Marais disthat nothing unusual was trict of Paris. Three men going on and that there was

town's police chief

The poppies are blooming man who wields a long tape across the lower Bekaa measure before a map of the Valley and along the groined area which is stream with and rocky hills of Fatah-blue an red boundary lines, land" where the Palestinian claims that all he knows of a guerrillas are sitting through Palestinian arms build-up to the Haddad enclave. The their leaky tents.

"We bear are blooming man who wields a long tape ritual fashion exactly one foot inside the United Nations' territory.

They then allow themselves to be pushed physically back into the Haddad enclave. The Norwegian troops who area which is strewn with blue an red boundary lines, claims that all he knows of a Palestinian arms build-up comes from the newspapers.

"We know nothing about any forthcoming are" he

any forthcoming war," says. "Things have never been calmer in the area. Everyone is obeying the

rules."

That may be technically true; but he omitted to mention a few significant details that privately cloud the military optimism of the United Nations in this beautiful corner of Lebanon. He sailed to observe, for infailed to observe, for in-stance, that the Syrians have dug tank revetments south of their present lines, advanced positous for tanks and heavy armour should the Isrelis invade Lebanon through the United Nation's area of

control. He also neglected to men-tion that Israeli regular troops have been conducting nightly live-firing exercises in the runed village of Khiam, a ghostly hamlet that lies just inside Major Saad Haddad's Christian and decidedly pro-Israel euclave. A few months ago, such

manouevres were rare, a monthly, at the most a weekly event, but now the Israelis practise for hours each night with hand-grenades, rifles and automatic

Every day, too, according to United Nations' officers, Israeli troops walk up to the Norwegian lines and stand in

this country".

The court decided to refer

the case to a local court in Nevsehir which will have to decide whether it is worth

Paris. — Three Renoir paintings, stolen from a museum in Algiers have been

Renoirs found

were arrested.

capacity as president of the World Wildlife Fund, is to have talks with

officials on the preservation of tigers.

Norwegian troops who youchsafe this extraordinary story believe it is part of a system of harrassment designed to unnerve them prior to an Israeli invasion. What, after all, would the United Nations do if the Israelis moved into southern Lebanon and crossed their lines?

The Israelis have alleged that Palestinian guerrillas north of the United Nations' area have been increasing their arms supplies and bringing in new weapons in contravention of last July's cassefire agreement. ceasefire agreement.

In fact, the Palestinians northwards between the have been bringing in quantities of ammunition but south of the Litani and by hardly any weapons. They landing troops on the Lebahave about 40 aging T34 ness coast to the north. Their tanks lying around the land north of the Litani river — would then be left holding on several of them are kept in garages — but the most Israeli front line. reliable information, apparently accepted privately by take the threat of a limited. ently accepted privately by Israeli military authorities, is that not one T54 tank has fallen into their hands.

Reports in recent months taken possession of modern Soviet-made battle tanks — both by the United Natioms and by diplomats in Beirut — are regarded as a credit to little more than imagination.

There is little reason for the Palestinians to acquire such armour, even if they

Paris wary

From Charles Hargrove

Paris, March 1

ment's more radical sup-

radicals has come to a head in recent weeks, causing agitation and unrest,

especially among national servicemen, and bringing

demands for a shortening of

conscription and the creation of soldiers' committees in

regiments and military

But M Charles Hernu, the

Defence Minister, gave a sharp warning last weekend

that there was no question of introducing a class struggle

into the armed forces and called for vigilance against

those who want to undermine the spirit of defence.

The Socialist Government has to tread carefully in the matter of reforming the armed forces. Measures which seemed possible while

the party was in opposition

such as the shortening of conscription from one year to six months and which were enshrined in M Mitte-

rand's electoral promises, have proven impractical sin-ce. From both a defence and

It would be out of the question to have more work-

ers on the unemployment

register when France is affected more than its neigh-

bours by unemployment among school leavers. More-over, the increased threat to

French security from the build-up of Soviet arma-

ments, to which both the President and his Defence

Minister are constantly draw-ing attention, calls for a strengthening, not a weaken-

ing, of the spirit of resist-ance, of which conscription, in their view, is the inspi-

the armed forces

an economic point of view.

establishments.

impatience of the

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of army

reforms

Syrians are ready to move south to meet them.

manufactured 250 254 and aircraft guns, squat tracked vehicles with a radar dish mounted behind four machine guns. The Syrians clearly believe that the Israelis may stage air strikes lis may stage air strikes across the lower Bekaa.

"We are trying to cool things down", was all he would say to the reporters who found him in one of the best hotels in Damascus.

scarcity.

But today, as part of the change in the management of the economy, the self-reliance policy is taking on a knew how to drive and fire the weapons. If the Israelis move into Lebanon, the more pragmatic look.
There is no question of a
wholesale or sudden shift,
but India is beginning to look

for more investment from outside, to make its manufac-Some miles north of the United Nations' lines, the Syrians have equipped their positions with several Soviet-manufactured ZSU 23-4 antituring more advanced and competitive in view of a £3,000m trade deficit. The change has much to do with Mrs Indira Gandhi, the Prime Minister, and the advisers who are helping by advisers who are helping let to implement the growth policy that stands as the economic centrepiece of her economic centrepiece of her administration.

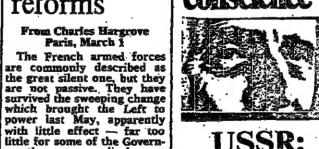
She is taking a closer interest in economic manage-

The United Nations believes that the Israelis, if they really intended to invade Lebanon again and strike at the Palestinians, could move their forces into guerrilla strongholds by thrusting northwards between the

take the threat of a limited war seriously is proved by the recent and discreet visit to Damascus of a senior United Nations official, who spoke to senior ministers in the Syrian Government before returning to Beirut.

Perhaps be thought that time was running out.

Prisoners of



USSR:

Alfreds Zarins

Alfreds Zarins, a Latvian year, is to serve three years hard labour.

his job teaching Latvian history and literature at a

he discussed the feelings of Latvians under the Soviet regime was also intercepted by the authorities.

were made known, Zarins was accused of keeping "forbidden literature", in-cluding books of Latvian

Larins has two teenage children and his family, who have not been informed exactly which labour camp he has been sent to, fear he will not survive the harsh conditions in Siberia.

CORRECTIONS

The caption to a photograph of Mr Andreas Papandreou, the Greek Prime Minister, yesterday incorrectly described him as President Papandreou. Last October, M Hernu announced 20 measures af-fecting leave, pay, and con-sultation of the ranks about welfare and living conditions. But he is not prepared to In the travel article on malaria on

in the travel article on majoria on February 27, the telephone number of the Ross Institute of Tropical Hygiene should have been given as 01-636 8636. embark on a socialization of who is visiting the Indian capital in his He was also meeting President Reddy | Should Britain fall in, p10

CONSCIENCE



By Caroline Moorehead

poet and teacher accused of anti-Soviet actitivies, has been deported from his home in Aluksue, 200 miles south of Leningrad, to a Siberian labour camp. Mr Zarins, who is 58 and has suffered two heart attacks over the past He was on sick leave from

secondary school when he was picked up by the police in April, 1981, in Aluksne and transferred to Riga for interrogation. His arrest came soon after Swedish radio broadcast a prosent here. radio broadcast a poem he had smuggled out to the West called Is it Allowed? A letter he had written to friends in the West in which

Through no official charges

history and programmes of Latvian cultural events. In particular he was questioned about his contacts with Latvians living outside the Zarins has two teenage

The problems are enor-mous. India has 700 million people, and the population increases by one million a month, helping to erode economic advances. There is no serious or urgent birth

control programme. Millions do not have the basic amenity of a safe and reliable water India has great reserves of industrial and professional skills, but has weak management, strangling red tape,

ment than she has ever done,

at a time which she believes to be a turning-point in India's development.

Red tape strangles

expansion

India looks

afresh at

Coca-Cola

economics

From Trevor Fishlock Delhi, March 1

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It is a matter of pride in India that there is no such thing as CocaCola. As part of their hardening mood of self-reliance in the 1970s, Indians decided that they could do without "the real thing". They now make their own sticky stuff, which looks and tastes much the same.

"Made in India" is more than a label. It is an article of faith in a country which has strong ideas about self-respect, and its own might and abilities. India has emerged as one of the most technologically and industrially advanced countries in the developing world.

India looks at the West and says "auything you can do..", even when it hurts.

That is why a foreign car is a rare sight, and Indians develop strong arm muscles handling the ubiquitous home-built Ambassador car, based on the 1954 Morris Oxford; why the space industry patiently develops at its own pace, rather than feapfrogging by buying more advanced Western equipment; and why foreign electronic goods have the cachet of scarcity.

But today, as part of the

chronic electricity supply problems and a poor telephone system. On the other hand, there is

a well-developed infrastruc-ture of steel works, coal mines, road, rail and air services and a good postal system.
After the trough of 1979-

80, the economy is recover-ing. Coal output and railway goods traffic is up, and so is production and investment Exports are increasing and inflation has been reduced. The tone of a new government economic survey is optimistic; "encouraging" is the word that some of the papers are using.

Nevertheless, there are still large-scale worries. India is proud of its agricultural revolution and production of foodgrains has increased. but growth is too slow for comfort this reflects the slump in fertilizer consumption brought about by high

Also, for India, as for many countries, there is the pressure of oil prices. There is an £2,800m loan from the International Monetary Fund to repay (it was secured to help with the balance of payments), and this may act as a necessary stick for improving performance.

Gandhi boosts private sector

Mrs Gandhi no doubt feels things are not so bad as her critics say, and that she really is presiding over a period of growth. She has called 1982 Productivity Year. Her political supremacy is secure. Strikes in mumerous trades and indus-tries are outlawed. The opposition is in disarray. Her strategy now is to invest heavily in steel, ferti-

lizers and manufacturing; to tackle the pressing energy supply question; and to boost the private sector, with an emphasis on export industries, by running a more liberal economic regime. ☐ India's defence spending will rise next year by 11 per cent to 51,000m rupees (£3,000m) under the new Budget unveiled on Saturday (Reuter reports). The Budget for the financial year 1982-83,

starting on April 1, was presented to Parliament by Mr Pranab Mukherjee, the Finance Minister.

Mr Mukherjee, who took over the financial portfolio in January, said the increase in the defence budget was owing to what he called the

wing to what he called the uncertain external environment. He said the overall deficit next year would total 13,650m rupees, down from the revised deficit estimate of 17,000m rupees for the current year. Additional revenue would be raised themuse. would be raised higher excise and customs duties on some items.

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THEATRES

Return of the mini? Fashion by Suzy Menkes



Debbie Knighton, 20, works in Kensington Market wearing a fluid skirt and sweater with bold hip belt.

I wear my skirts just below the knee.'



Jacqui Day, 19, hairdresser's assistant at Trevor Sorbie, wearing her salon uniform of grey sweatshirt and tutu skirt.

I like the outfit and I always wear short skirts.

The great divide



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Twenty four inches separate the hemlines of the fashionable skirts this spring. On the one leg are tiny tutus of fabric. On the other, the prairie skirts, falling to midcalf. Age is the great divide.

Nothing in fashion has ever aroused such passion as the mini and 20 years after Quant first cropped her skirts, those passions still run strong. If you are young you love the short skirts and wear them with uninhibited enthusiasm. Those over 30 view the Second Coming of the mini with a mixture of nostalgia and horror, and think up all sorts of spurious reasons for rejecting it. But

constructed Momsula constructed womany clothes. When feet were balanced on pin thin stiletto heels, the flat Courreges boots were a revelation (if not a revolution).

There is nothing very revolutionary about the latest minis. They are just short skirts, although the soft sweat shirt fabrics that they are mostly made of do offer a new freedom to a generation brought up in jeans. The mini skirt is yet another alternative to all those trouser variations (culottes, cut-offs, knicker-bockers, breeches and bermudas), which have been the storf of young fashion for the last few seasons.

The first mini was killed off not by fashion designers (who have periodically sought to revive it) but by women in the street. Now that the fashion has been taken up again on British pavements, our homegrown designers seem oddly reluctant to back the mini.

Both the prairie skirt and the cheer-leader mini (the Americans call it "ra-ra")



'I don't wear minis, I prefer softer, longer lengths. Short skirts sell in the shop to the younger market.'

come from the United States, are far less predatory and, from Ralph Lauren and when they are worn over thick Norma Kamali respectively. At the European designer collections, all the big names from Campi Versece to Yvee from Gianni Versace to Yves stretch jeans. Saint Laurent showed skirts inches above the knee and a second time around. Fashion foot above the British designtends to be quite different, because the surrounding circumstance. · look, which is mid-calf.

their money.

around? The girls I talked to last

week seem much less excited through by the return of the shorter hemline than those men who So is the have been panting with hope to see it restored.

I think that the leg lovers

Think that the leg lovers to see it restored.

I think that the leg lovers

Love may be lovelier the because the surrou In our shops, the buyers cumstances change. Wearing have backed this longer a mini skirt today is not a length, believing that most social statement. All women women want a lot of skirt for are now much more relaxed about clothes than when the Is the country that gave height of a hemline made birth to the mini skirt really rejecting it second time so central to our lives and women have found many louder ways to shout than through the language of their

So is the mini coming back? I think that the leg lovers will be disappointed at the latest look, for whereas the short, A-line mini was an explicit sexual statement ("the new erogenous zone is the crotch", claimed Mary Quant in 1967), today's minis hemlines don't matter. I will just say that in one week on our London streets I saw half a dozen different lengths. And I think that the most significant contribution to the return of the mini would be a warm summer.



I usually wear trousers but when I do wear a skirt it is always short and a good price.'

The major colour themes for spring divide as sharply as the hemlines. The more sophisticated city clothes — linen suits, striped shirt dresses and wing-collared Atlantic colours like grey, 55.25 a metre), their sizzling beige and black with white. moire taffetas (£4.50 a metre) Even the more romantic or and bright pure silk linens. Even the more romantic or ethnic looks are inspired by Moroccan cloths, with colours

drawn from sand and clay.

From the other side of the world, come strong Pacific colours for holiday clothes. Lightweight cottons, and especially beachwear and sweatshirts, should guarantee a splash of warmth on the dullest summer day. Swim-

ming pool turquoise is a favourite, alongside poster paint red and other primary shades. Black is the surprising summer choice for a colour to link the two disparate colour stories, with brilliant tropical colours used on a black relatively recent.

ground for the new patterns and prints.

A firework display colour, from deep fuchsia to parakeet pink to palm green has burst out in Liberty's fabric department. "Colour Carnival' is the name they give to their richly coloured cotton over checks (from Devotees of Liberty's fam-

iliar flower prints will find that the herbaceous borders have been overrun by stripes and checks, especially effec-tive when the two are overlaid to give an illusion of texture to

one design. This fabric promotion is the first of three spring stories which will culminate in exotic Indian fabrics at the time of the V&A's prestige Indian exhibition in April. Liberty started their life as an Imperial Emporium (they are staging a major Indian promotion) and their association with sweet English florals is



Natalie Lees, 17, studying at the Lucie Clayton College, wearing a mini kilt and jaunty blazer.

I much prefer short skirts. They're more fun.



Angela Hewitt, 30, accessories designer, wear a full grey flannel skirt, with a prairie shirt and bootlace tie.

'I wear short styles too.

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National Service: should we get fell in?

As the debate reopens, Henry Stanhope examines the case for and against conscription

Nearly 20 years after the last National Serviceman threw away his blanco, Britain remains the only large European power to rely on volunteers for its defence. Should we think again?

Unemployment and street violence have encouraged interest in some form of national service for the young, and at least four opinion polls have recently reflected this. But the emphasis has been on civil, not military, conscription, with a period in the armed forces favoured, if at all, as one of many options: or, as in the scheme shortly to be announced,

scheme shortly to be ambounted; simply as adventure training for unemployed youngsters.

By and large this suits the services, who, contrary to popular belief, are less than anxious to seize every long-haired leftie who seize every long-haired leftie who walks past a recruiting office and lick him into shape. (Many soldiers might feel the itch individually, but not collectively as a profession.) The image of the services as a happy band of skilled, dedicated volunteers has been expensively cultivated since 1963 and the Ministry of Defence is loth and the Ministry of Defence is loth

Another reason for Whitehall's lack of enthusiasm for military conscription is the expense. Conscripts are admittedly paid less than regulars (who nowadays are paid very well) but there are usually many more of them — who have not only to be paid but equipped. With main battle tanks now costing £1.5m each and the hardware of an armoured division totalling around £1,000m, there are limits to the size of the ranks.

Attitudes might be different if recruiting was more difficult than it is. But despite reservations during the early years, and in spite of continuing difficulties in certain areas, the services have managed reasonably well since the early 1960s. There have been peaks and troughs, the peaks usually reflecting hard times for the economy and insecurity for those in civilian jobs. But as the economy seems to go through more bad times than od, the obvious conclusion may

Discontent over pay and conditions in 1977-78 caused recruiting and retention rates to plummet, and in some areas — RAF pilots, for instance — the forces have not yet caught up. But the



How it's done in Holland: conscripts swarm over a tank during a military exercise

shrinking job market has meant. In the 1950s this huge training that for most of the time they can machine was able to use camps and that for most of the time they can now pick and choose among the best applicants — particularly as manpower cuts last year have reduced their own requirements, Ideally they would like to accept more then they need, to fatten up before the lean times predicted for the mid-1980s, but they are hardly in a position to make do with

Yet another argument is that modern weapons are too complex to be handled effectively by "amateurs". For most of those after the second World War, national service meant two years with the colours, and this is still regarded as the minimum if the forces are to benefit from any immediate return on the training. In some Nato countries conscription lasts for less than a year. But in a country like Britain this would mean an enormous turnover in training. In 1957, the year in which Mr Duncan Sandys, as Defence Secretary, announced the immi-nent end of national service, 150,000 out of 700,000 in the forces were engaged in training or in being trained.

equipment — admittedly already obsolete — dating from the Second World War. Now, however, a return to national service would mean building more barracks at a cost of up to £25m for each major unit — of battalion or regimental size. It is also doubtful if the training areas could accommodate troops on exercises now that the bases and facilities East of Suez have been relinquished.

The accepted wisdom is that this hardly matters anyway because Britain no longer needs large forces. The late Sir Basil Liddell Hart wrote in 1957 that as the army had been 220,000-strong before the War, when the empire had to be policed, it now needed only 140,000.

If there were another war, say the pundits, it would be short and sharp. The allies would look to Britain to contribute quality rather than quantity, disciplined troops who would be able to operate advanced systems while they themselves were threatened by a lethal offensive. For that reason and others including financial -

the emphasis has been on recruit-ing fewer and retaining them for longer, rather than the kaleidoscopic effect of national service. A proposal two years ago by Sir Hugh Fraser, MP, that a national register should be compiled of those eligible for military/civil call-up in a crisis met with little enthusiasm at Westminster, and still less in Whitehall. Officials argued that it was politically too sensitive, particularly as it would involve deciding at the outset who

would be exempt and which occupations would be reserved. "The workload", said one civil servant, "would be enormous." But should the wisdom be so readily accepted? Predictions that "the next war" would be short and sharp have been notoriously wrong at least twice this century. Even the war between Iran and Iraq has dragged on far longer than most experts thought. The size of the Braish Army would be slightly more than doubled on mobilization of the reserves to around 300,000. But that represents all the avail-able trained manpower, and if the war did last more than a month or

even a register - to manufacture any more. The most powerful argument in favour of national service is that it

does create a larger reserve. The Army, which would be the service most concerned, argues that within six years of leaving the colours a soldier's knowledge and skills, expensively acquired, are outdated or forgotten. But national service would mean that he would at least have a feeling for what the Army is all about, and would be more trainable if the need arose.

There is also the argument that every young man (and woman?) has a duty to feel involved in the defence of his/her country — as in Israel. That military life has a disciplinary effect on recalcitrant youth is less supportable — and few people in the Army want to see their service treated as a kind of reform school for tearaways.

There is no disputing, however, that the services are a reservoir of practical skills which could benefit more youths than is the case. The more youths than is the case. The standard of apprentice training in the forces is admirable, and Dr Alec Dickson, director of Community Service Volunteers, holds the personal view that NCOs could contribute a great deal by leading terms of young people on voluneams of young people on voluntary work.

In fact the Army, at first rather cautiously and then more enthusiastically, drew up several schemes which would help young people under the Youth Opportunites Programme last year. These foundered because the Army could not afford to fund them on its own and because there were political objec-tions to official resources being used in this way. However, the Ministry of Defence is expected to announce this week an adventure training scheme for the young.

Strong objections would be raised to any form of compulsory military conscription. Given scepti-cism among the armed forces themselves and in the Ministry of Defence, there seems little likelihood that Britain will put the clock back 19 years. But should any form of national service be adopted — and there would seem to be growing support for it—
there are persuasive arguments for
making a period in one of the
services an available option. The
benefit could be mutual.

Britain, facing another caning from Europe

For a government to suffer the occasional defeat before the European Court of Human Rights may be thought a misfortune. But to lose with the regularity of the United Kingdom is beginning to look like carelessness. The Scottish corporal punishment case decided last week is the eighth reverse for the Government since

After a recent West German decision it would be surprising if the Government escaped unscathed. The discriminatory immigration rule on marriage, widely forecast to be in breach of the convention when it was introduced by the Government, will be tested by several current applications.

In the field of mental week is the eighth reverse for the Government since 1975, far and away the largest tally among the contracting

UK also incorporated, it is just possible that some of the eight cases might have been settled in domestic proceed-

igs. But if the British judiciary had accepted the more limited interpretations of the convention invariably urged by the Government, inter-national censure would mere-

avoided.

Apologists for Britain's record point to the special problems caused by a "colonial legacy". On immigration law, successive governments, the argument goes, have been caught between the requirements of the convention and reactionary public opinion.

A small country which has had the temerity to claim nearly a thousand million subjects has obviously pre-pared problems for itself, but compliance with the convention never in fact entailed large-scale immigration.
Constitutional arrangements within the British Isles have by contrast occasionally been a source of genuine diffi-culty. The UK Government is stuck with responsibility for the Isle of Man under the convention without a tra-dition of wielding political power on the island.

It has not made the Government's life any easier that British pressure groups have chosen to take the have chosen to take the convention seriously. The National Council for Civil Liberties, the Society of Teachers Opposed to Physical Punishment, the Freedom Association, and MIND, the mental-health charity, have all been associated with applications.

European test cases have provided valuable opportunities to achieve otherwise elusive reforms. The eight decisions of the

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retary's powers over restricted mental patients and now parental choice on corporal punishment in schools. Apart from these rulings by the court many other cases which have not reached

a final adjudication have none the less made their mark. In the East African Asians cases the commission found the Commonwealth Immigration Act 1968 to be in

Among forthcoming cases a major block of applications concerned with Prison Rules and obstruction of prisoners' correspondence come up soon for decision by the court. The Government has already conceded on certain issues raised. Another case questions the legitimacy of telephone tapping outside any statutory framework.

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After a recent West Ger-In the field of mental health, cases recently lodged, challenge the failure to extend legal aid to mental countries.

Numbers alone can of course mislead. More does not necessarily mean worse. Some countries, like Turkey, still do not allow their citizenry the right of individual petition to Strasbourg.

More significantly, about two thirds of the contracting countries have incorporated the Human Rights Convention into their domestic law, thereby giving their own courts a prior opportunity to uphold complaints. Had the UK also incorporated, it is

associated with a piece of party political legislation, Both parties have been implicated in discriminatory immigration law. Both have had ample opportunity to change offending aspects of prison but have done nothing until forced, and even then no more than they felt strictly required to do.

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sociation opposes any relax-ation in censorship. The Confederation of Health Service Employees and the Royal College of Psychiatrists strive to keep barriers to patients litigation. Political parties in power prefer not to arouse opposition of these kinds whatever their views on the justice of the cause.

Decisions of the European court can provide both a spur and a shield. It is much easier to introduce reforms when it can all be blamed on a collection of foreign jur-

Something of this ambivalence is captured by the Scottish "tawse" case, where the Government told the commission that it was "proceeding by means of nego-tiations and discussions with education authorities achieve consensus on the matter of abolition of corooral vunishment'' (although it simultaneously argued that the cases should be dismissed because the parents could have sent their children to

On some issues, therefore, the facilities of the European Commission and court are providing a convenient form of arbitration. On others the rulings of the court are establishing genuinely new remedies and challenging tenaciously held positions. Four years ago one legal commentator wrote: "The period when the judges of the court moved with great caution, lest they forfeited the confidence of member states and thus jeopardized the future of the convention,

The implications of this who so confidently supported the UK's ratification in 1951. Oliver Thorold

The risks in pushing gifted children too hard with him, he seemed at pains tician who was then in his science budget and the space to emphasize his normality in second year at Johns programme." all respects, other than Hopkins and who later also In his free time, he goes to simply being quicker than became a Churchill post-films, plays bridge, attends a

Last October, Chi-Bin Chien, a 15-year-old American, started postgraduate studies in physics at Cambridge, Next year, Ruth Lawrence war evel as an undergradwin and as an undergrad-uate at Oxford at the age of 12. Is it good for a child, emotionally, socially or psychologically, to be en-couraged to leap so far ahead

of his chronological peers? IQs who have developed early One Oxford don, Dr Matthew Ginsberg, who is a In the United States, most

very, very rare cases. before they are 18. There appears to be no similar regulation governing the admission of postgraduates,

however. Dr Ginsberg, whose mother is the head of the Gifted Child Society in New Jersey, feels he suffered greatly as a child by jumping just one year at school when he was seven. He was already small for his age, and being catapulted into a class of unknown, even bigger, chil-dren made him withdraw completely.

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year might be all right for some, but I have not been impressed by any of the super-accelerated people I have met. Ruth Lawrence will doubtless do very well-academically at Oxford, but what will she be like after she's left? There have been virtually no follow-up studies virtually no follow-up studies of children with very high IQs who have developed early

mathematics tutor at Brase- gifted children are kept nose, is so concerned at the together with children of potential damage done to their own age. The States are children by academic acceler-more advanced than Britain ation that he has written to both in the identification of, ation that he has written to the identification of, the 120 mathematics dons at Oxford, seeking their support for a motion to be put before the university's congregation, which would ban admission to Oxford of hours where children are anyone under 16, save in able to engage in depth in activities are accounted by the Cambridge already stipu-lates that undergraduates will The aim is definitely not to not normally be admitted get children to rush ahead activities not covered in the with what they are being taught in school.

A notable exception to that approach is a programme, called the study of mathematically precocious youth, which Dr Julian Stanley, a professor at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, has been running for the past ten mother. In 1960, they years. Dr Stanley seeks out emigrated to the United mathematically gifted child-states. Chi-Bin's father is ren at the age of 11 or 12, and then provides some of Johns Hopkins. The university why he is so the university.

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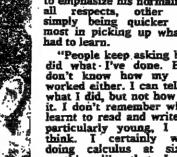


Chi-Bin Chien: a curious lack of excitement

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difficulty in reading or writing Chinese. At four, he was sent to a private nursery school, before going to the local public (ie. state) school two years later. By the time he was seven he was already finding the work boring. So he was taken away and sent

into higher classes.

By the time he was nine, he was in a class three years ahead of other pupils his age. "I guess I was one of the best students in pretty well everything, save athletics and art," he admits with some reluctance. A year later, his father put him in touch with Dr Stanley, and he started receiving extra mathematics tuition from David Meyer, a gifted 15-year-old mathema-

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most in picking up what he had to learn.

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"People keep asking how I did what I've done. But I took the Scholastic Aptitude worked either. I can tell you what I did, but not how I did it. I don't remember when I learnt to read and write; not particularly young, I don't think. I certainly wasn't 800 in the verbal SAT, and doing calculus at six or anything like that, I don't think I worked much harder than anyone else at school. Holidays? Oh, I did normal things — going to the beach, straight into the second year group, and goes to ballroom dancing classes. Last year, he went to a creative writing classe, "a lot of fun".

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The apparent nonchalance, "Pe accentuated by the American his accent, verges on polite Whiboredom. There is a curious grace. boredom. There is a curious graduate admissions at lack of excitement about Churchill says. "His file everything. Two years ago, from Johns Hopkins was full he went back for the first of endless references to his to a private school in Baltimore, which encouraged time with his family to
acceleration of bright pupils mainland China, where his ancestors can be traced back to AD700. How did that his looks, that he was 10 or affect him? "It was interest- even 20 years older. Despite ing", he replies. "But it his apparent relaxed manner, didn't really have a big however, he gave the impact." Is he pleased to be impression of being terribly at Cambridge? "Um, yeah". constrained. There was no at Cambridge? "Um, yeah". constrained. There was no Does he have any special sparkle, no freshness. And ambitions? "Not really". one wondered whether Dr Does he feel strongly about Ginsberg did not perhaps

films, plays bridge, attends a science fiction discussion group, and goes to ballroom dancing classes. Last year, he went to a creative writing class, "a lot of fun".

Does his age (he is now 16) mental-heal affect him much? "I certainly feel younger, but I don't think it makes that European much difference. I usually socialize with people who are my intellectual peers rather than my chronological peers." Girl-friends? "I don't

chemistry — it didn't bother with which he gets on with me," he says. his much older colleagues. People are just not aware of his age", Mr Richard Whittacker, tutor for post-

> extraordinary maturity."
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> Talking to Chi-Bin, one would have thought, but

anything, I ask in desperation. "Well," after some thought, "I guess I got angry about Reagan cutting the Educ Diana Geddes **Education Correspondent**

loss for industry appears to be at an end. Frankling of the first own Grand Grand change of mood are only gradually sinking in. They might have surprised those Territoria

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Learning to laugh away the bomb

Donald Reeves, the rector of St James's, Piccadilly, says his is the only church in London concerning itself with issues of security and survival. Reeves was Church of England observer at the World Council of Churches' hearing on nuclear weapons in Amsterdam last November. "I was quite ashamed. We are so sleepy", he says.

In an attempt to wake things up he has organized a series of Wednesday lunch-time lectures in which speakers of various denominations will consider the churches' contribution to the

peace movement.
This week the Bishop of St
Andrew's Scotland, the Right Rev Michael Hare Duke, tackles "the nuclear obsession", which he says is "demonic". Talking of the balance of power makes us think in terms of war when we should start from a premise of peace. Start from a premise of peace. The Bishop promises to offer his audience "nuclear phrase fabri-cators and other devices that will help us escape from our nuclear obsession by laughter".

Mext, an alternative defence policy devised by the Right Rev John Robinson, dean of Trinity College, Cambridge.

Spleen on Sunday

John Osborne; the playwright wno said most television plays are dramatized journalism about inadentiacy or anorexia in high-rise flats or one-parent families

in inner cities", is to be the Mail on Sunday's first television critic. Osborne will spend "three months or so" with the paper after which "with any luck" after which "with any luck" according to the editor, Bernard Shrimsley, "we will find someone equally celebrated and stimulating" to take his place.

Osborne was Britain's first Angry Young Man in the 1950s after Look Back In Anger opened at the Royal Court. His anger has not diminished over the years but

not diminished over the years but the targets have changed.
In 1961 Tribune published his famous diatribe "Damn You.
England" and in 1980 industrial tribunals, rapacious ex-wives and The Guardian's women's page came under memorable assault in the Evening Standard.

The SDP has overreached itself on sexual equality. A letter to a colleague asking him to provide a colleague asking him to provide a reference for a man who aspires to be an SDP parliamentary candidate asks for views on "her" suitability. Elsewhere "her" has been overwritten "his" by hand. The pro forma letter, as printed, makes no provision at all for the possibility of male candidates.

Class of '84

William Rodgers, now a joint leader of the SDP, says that his book, The Politics of Change, to be published on March 22, was conceived while lolling in his garden as long ago as 1978. It is already available at cut price to

SDP members. Rodgers says the book is "both a testament of personal convic-tion and an analysis of what has



Airwick, the company which has been killing odours for years, now alleges that Britons are in danger of losing their sense of smell. Without

rehearsing its own role in the matter it says "nature's more pleasant fragrances have been

gone wrong". He tried to emulate George Orwell, he told a pre-launch party yesterday, writing directly what he thought without

regard for the reactions of the

Under what dire circumstances would President Reagan consider the day lost? We have his own word for it - whenever he misses

the funnies. in a note to the newsletter of the Association of American Cartoonists, Reagan wrote: "I am a dedicated, committed reader of the comic strips, and consider the day lost if for some reason I'm deprived of them. They truly start my day served up with breakfast".

Defence cut

Has the Defence Secretary, John

deleted from the sterile atmosphere of high-rise flats and city dwellings. Inner-city children are not sure they would recognize the fragrance of fruit blossom or honeysuckle". The answer, it suggests, is not to go out and buy fruit blossom or honeysuckle, but yet more Airwick, this time in fashion fragrances copying natural themes. It all smells a bit off

guardsmen outside, only to realize they were lifesize plywood

Making a closer examination at Even Peanuts?

Nott, at last found the way to make the savings that will finance Trident? Passing the

entrance to Wellington Barracks last week I marvelled at the exemplary stiffness of the three

the weekend, I found even the cut-outs had been cut. Their number had been reduced to one. The truth is they only risk one outside when it's raining. Otheroutside when it's faining. Otherwise the day might soon arrive when visitors could pass the Guards' souvenir and bookshop without seeing a soldier of any

Troubled Taffs

Real guardsmen cannot brave the rain either. The Welsh Guards at Pirbright could not line up for their St David's Day leeks from the Prince of Wales because of a downpour. The Prince charitably left a box of the vegetables for distribution later.

distribution later.
On the Rhine, the First Battalion, Royal Welch Fusiliers, were obliged to field a German

substitute mascot for their St David's Day parade. Billy, their own angora, disgraced himself a fortnight ago by breaking off one of his long horns in a fit of sexual frustration.

To lead the parade, the fusiliers borrowed a more commonplace, but two-horned, goat who is ordinarily mascot to Cologne football club. The Welshmen nicknamed him Kaiser Bill.

in creases

The departure of our cricketing heroes to have their pockets stuffed with South African gold recalls uneasy memories of the England test team's fancy dress Christmas party in India. The theme was heroes. While Botham - who has

firmly repelled South African blandishments — went as Geoffrey Boycott, Boycott dressed as Prince Ranjitsinjhi. Less diplo-matically, John Emburey, the Middlesex off-spinner who helped persuade Gooch to make the trip, went as a Ku Klux Klansman.

George Burns, the veteran Americeorge Burns, the veteran American comedian, yesterday listened to his latest single, Young at Heart, and then told reporters over tea at the Ritz in London: "I am an 86-year-old country singer. And why shouldn't I be a country singer? I am older than most countries".

Nuns redeemed

The Guildhall School of Music is salvaging Poulenc's opera Dia-logues of the Carmelites, which was to have been staged at Sadler's Wells last year. The producer, Grainne Conroy, ran



GANG stop pretending you can't

remember Lis Taylor and Burton

out of money and the production, the first in London since 1963, had to be abandoned. The first of four performances at the school's Silk Street concert hall in the Barbican is tonight, under the baton of Vilem Tausky, who would have been the conductor at Sadler's Wells.

December 1870 from besieged Paris — initially by balloon — to

the editor of *The Times*, John Thadeus Delane. It was addressed to him not at Printing House Square but at his house nearby in Serjeants Inn, Fleet Street. What it contained, we do not know, though it might either have been from a *Times* man in Paris (William Howard Russell scooped the opposition the following month with the news that the French would capitulate) or one of number of pleas to let those in Britain know the sender was well. What we do know is that the message arrived late. The balloon came down in the Prussian lines.

Unfair share?

My colleague, Simon Winchester of the *The Sunday Times*, has provoked the hitherto unheardof: a civic disturbance in Basingof: a civic disturbance in basing-stoke. Writing in the authoritat-ive Radio Times about his television programme last week on rioting, Winchester said: on rioting, Winchester said: "Basingstoke bad its share of trouble last summer." Roger Morris, the mayor of

Roger Morris, the mayor of Basingstoke, is furious and has gone on the rampage demanding correction. His town, he insists, was one of the blessed few which were trouble-free. Sensibly Winchester has fled to India

Par avion chaud

We are more concerned at present with the future than the past at The Times, but there is a fascinating item concerning the paper in a stamp sale at Sotheby's later this month.

F. Lee Bailey, the lawyer who unsuccessfully defended Patti Hearst on bank robbery charges, was arrested for alleged dranken driving in San Francisco. He pleaded with passers-by to note the police brutality during his arrest, to telephone a lawyer and to accompany him to the police. paper in a stamp sale at Sotheby's the police brutality during his later this month.

It is a miniature wrapper sent in to accompany him to the police station as witnesses.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

From Mrs Valerie Riches

Sir, An important issue is raised

by the recent judgment of the European Court of Human Rights

in favour of parental rights in connection with corporal punish-ment of children in schools.

parents appealed to the European Court about the compulsory sex

education of their children by the

Danish state. Their case rested upon the same Article 2 of the European Treaty of Human Rights as the recent case — i.e.,

when the state assumes the teaching burden, it must respect the right of parents "to ensure

such education and teaching is in

conformity with their own religious and philosophical con-

The sex education in Danish

state schools was of a nature which was in clear violation of the parent's private religious and philosophical convictions. Yet the

European Court (report, December 9, 1976) judged against the

European Court's concern about parental rights is not extended to

the punishment of immature and inexperienced minds, only to

In Britain, sex education becomes compulsory when it is introduced into the curriculum of

a school. There is no legal right of withdrawal, a right enshrined in the 1944 Education Act in respect of religious education,

albeit an analogous subject.
There would be less need to
worry about this were it not for

the fact that some sex education in this country has reached the level the Danish parents were so

From Mr Harry Greenway, MP for Ealing North (Conservative)

Sir Having successively spent 12 years in a King's Cross 1,100 comprehensive and another seven

at a mixed comprehensive of

2,000-plus in Lewisham where, in

each case, I had responsibility for

school discipline among other things, I am most interested in

the European Court decision on

corporal punishment. Your own leader refers to the matter today

School discipline is slipping badly all over the country and

will not be restored from Stras-

bourg, Whitehall or County Hall.
As recommendation 4 of the
recent report of the Parliamentary Select Committee on Education says: "The head, the staff

and governors of a school should be responsible for school disci-pline." They should be allowed to

apply reasonable and proper

anctions when children m

their children's bodies.

concerned about.

VALERIE RICHES,

Buckinghamshire.

National Hon Secretary,

The Responsible Society,

Yours sincerely.

Wicken, Milton Keynes,

February 26.

It would appear that the

In the early 1970s some Danish

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NO BALL

1. The state of th I think it will be treated as one of total deception", said the Minister of Sport, Mr Neil Macfarlane, yesterday, referring to the action of a dozen English cricketers in touring South Africa. He was right: what is at issue is not a question of judgment but a matter of trust. There are certainly two points of view about the merits of resuming sporting contacts with South Africa at this time. It can be argued that there is no longer a case for continuing to ban South Africa from international competition in those sports where outside pressure has led to people of different races playing with and against each other, that to maintain a boycott in such circumstances is not to protest against apartheid in sport but to use sport as a political instrument against the wider evil of apartheid in society. It may also be argued, less controversially, that if would be an infringement of personal rights for any government or sporting authority to forbid anyone, as an individual, to play wherever he wishes.

Texter english and an

But neither of these arguments can be deployed to justify this tour. These cricketers are not going as a bunch of carefree, if irresponsible, individuals in search of some enjoyable play in a

pleasing climate. They are being paid large sums of money to compete against a representative South African team, who will receive international caps for their endeavours. That is in direct contravention of the policy of the Test and County Cricket Board, which wrote to every first-class player in England towards the end of last summer warning them that if they played in any international or representative match in South Africa they Monld jeopardize their

England. If that policy is mistaken it should be changed: if it is changed it should be done so openly. The worst way for it to be challenged is for players to slip out of England secretively, "playing it very close to their chests", as the TCCB spokesman put it with sour

chances of being selected for

The impression of deception is all the greater because of the assurances that were given before this winter's tour of India was allowed to proceed. The Indian Government was wrong in the first instance to raise objections to Geoffrey Boycott and Geoffrey cook as members of the English team because they had played or coached in South Africa. But to allay Indian suspicions the TCCB

emphasized its disapproval of representative tours of South Africa and the two players publicly expressed their opposition to "the principle and system of apartheid".

Boycott's words have now

been made to appear as no more than a gesture of convenience; and there will inevitably be doubts over the sincerity of the TCCB's assurance, even though the board has in fact acted impeccably throughout. This is the most serious aspect because the thoughtless or selfish attitude of this touring party will put in jeopardy the future struc-ture of Test cricket. There could all too easily be a division between the white and non-white cricketing nations, which would be tragic for the development of the game and a denial of its

The correct course now would be for the TCCB to live up to the spirit of its earlier warning and ban these players from selection for England. However, to go further, as some would like, and bar them from county cricket would be wrong. But to do less would almost certainly lead to the cancellation of this summer's tours by India and Pakistan, and quite possibly to the end of Test cricket as we have known it.

SHIPS AND SHARES AT KNOCKDOWN PRICES

is made poorer by the be guaranteed in service is made poorer by the be guaranteed in service scramble to sell. But it is akin of the time, with one available at all times. The value of the at all times carriers will be Crown Jewels and the Tate. Gallery's Turners might be entered into a balance sheet of national financial assets. Assets count economically only to the extent that they can be exchanged for something useful, and too much preoccupation with paper values can be an obstacle to making them work in the most effective way. The sacri-fice may be worth while, if it is made for clear and realisable ends

None of the three loss leaders look wholly justified in these terms on present knowledge. They are not comparable except in the broadest sense, and the case of the Invincible obviously stands apart from those of the two state-backed industries. But the fundamental question here too is whether the investment tied up in the ship can be used more advanta-geously now it is free. The sale has realised the same sum as it took to build it, and Mr John Nott argues that three smaller vessels can be

Amersham, HMS Invincible, built with the sum, and that BL Bathgate — taxpayers' they will be more useful. It is assets in all sectors seem to true that the case for building be on sale at knockdown the three ships of the Invin-prices just now. There is a cible class was a debatable buyer's market for such one at the time. But once merchandise, and there is a built, they had a value as a sense in which each one of us set. With three ships, two can impaired because they will not be able to provide this continuous service, and this will be so however good Mr Nott's replacements may be if

or when they join the fleet. There are also important differences between Amer-sham and Bathgate. The problems involved in a share are not the same as those involved in a disposal of company assets. There was evidently a gross miscalculation of the value of Amersham, which has left the Exchequer £24m poorer than it might have been. It is essential to find more reliable means of predicting the demand for shares before more substantial public sector share sales are attempted. The alternative of going for tender needs to be seriously considered. But the object of the exercise was only partly to realize funds. The sales policy is based on an ideological commitment to the principle that wider ownership of shares in government-dominated enterprises is mockery, there has thealthy in itself. The process room to make mistakes.

of going to tender would almost inevitably involve the assets falling into the hands of a few large buyers, not a wide range of investors. The embarrassing affair is a reminder that such sales cannot take place in conditions where straightforward market forces operate, and the Government needs to be clear what its motives are when planning them. But at £24m it is an expensive reminder. The possible cost of the

Bathgate sale is reported to be still greater. It appears that the sales were completed without public advertising or bidding, and other obscure points remain to be clarified. In principle it is to a great extent a matter of commercial judgment in the running of a business how assets should be disposed of. British Leyland has been under great pressure to rationalize its affairs in the past two years, and has made impressive strides towards efficiency in a short time. The problem of control and ac-countability in publicly owned industries is a perennial one, and the present system, where accountability is media-ted through an aloof Government minister, is too remote. It should not be possible for managerial mistakes to be fudged and concealed in retrospect, but unless managerial discretion is to be a mockery, there has to be

From Mr Geoffrey Johnson Smith,

MP for East Grinstead (Conserva-

TV broadcasting

by satellite

Sir, It is not quite fair of Lord Aylestone (February 24) to suggest that decisions on DBS (direct broadcasting satellite) may shortly be taken "without any public debate". The Home Office study carried out in 1980 involved a wide-ranging process involved a wide-ranging process of consultation with interested organizations, and the publi-cation of its report last May afforded a further opportunity for public opinion to express itself.

It may be, as Lord Aylestone suggests, that in an ideal world decisions on DBS should not be taken without prolonged further discussion. But that would inevitably mean saying goodbye to the "modest but early start" perhaps one or two broadcasting channels by 1986 — which the Government seems to favour for unless early decisions are taken, and contracts entered into, a satellite system will not be ready in time. That would be a serious loss to British industry and to the telecommunications services which the satellite will carry, as well as to broadcasting. The French and the Germans are going ahead and we also must lead.

The fact is that the BBC has plans ready for two DBS chan-nels. They will need to convince the public that they really can afford this extension of their services even if one of these channels is financed by a system of pay TV. Parliament and the consumer cannot be expected automatically to agree to make up the difference by a substantial

increase in the licence fee.
The IBA and commercial companies, for wholly understandable reasons, are not so far advanced. To wait until they are would jeopardise the "modest early start" and the benefits it will bring. But even if the BBC were allocated two initial chan-nels, that would not rule out opportunities for participation by the IBA and commercial compa-nies on other channels if they got shead with their plans and the Government created the legislative framework for it. Indeed that is what I hope will happen if we are not going to throw away one of the most exciting prospects not just for television but for British industry and telecommunications as a whole,

Yours faithfully, GEOFFREY JOHNSON SMITH. Chairman, Conservative Party Parliamentary Media Committee, House of Commons. February 26.

Ecom the Managing Director of. Yorkshire Television Sir, So the BBC is going to fund one of its two satellite channels

by subscription. This presumably will be the channel that will show

mainly feature films.

Clearly, these will be films not available on BBC 1 or BBC 2. In this way the BBC's relationship with the licence-holder will alter

dramatically.

The millions who pay their annual licence fee will become second-class citizens at a stroke. They will be denied the attractions that will have to be available to the subscription-paying first-class citizens on the satellite channel. In this way, the BBC will destroy its relationship with the licence-holder, a prized contractual link that has existed for nearly 60 years. Yours faithfully.

PAUL FOX, Managing Director, The Television Centre,

March 1.

Westminster rates

From the Leader of Westminster City Council

Sir, Anyone reading Baron Phillips's article (February 22) could be forgiven for assuming that Westminster City Council has acted quite irresponsibly in imposing a 20 per cent rate

increase on its ratepayers.

The London boroughs face demands upon them by the GLC, the ILEA and the Metropolitan Police which they have no alternative but to collect.

May I state clearly three facts:

1. Westminster City Council has reduced its own rate call by £2,500,000.

2. Obligatory collections for other authorities have risen by £56m. 3. Pressure is being brought to bear on County Hall by the WARS (Westminster Against

Reckless Spending) campaign, which this city council fully supports. Yours faithfully, DAVID COBBOLD, PO Box 240, Westminster City Hall, Victoria Street, SW1.

Health partnership

Sir, Mr Seldon's letter (February 17) is based on the false premise that standards in the NHS have declined over the past 10 years. Everyone concerned with the provision of health care in the UK knows that this is not so and that, on the contrary, standards in all areas have consistently

The remainder of his argu ment, couched in a sort or harsh economic terminology that ill fits a caring profession, has to be viewed in this light. In essence this argument proceeds in the rather curious assertion that "employees (will) become more valuable in industry" to the conclusion that market forces will dictate the further growth of insurance funded private medi-

Regrettably, although Mr Seldon's reasoning is wrong, his conclusion is correct. Market forces are encouraging the

standards by which to judge the NHS when there is no prospect that private medicine will take responsibility for the elderly and chronically ill — the major clients of modern medicine. It is nonsense to speak of healthy competition when the vast majority of doctors servicing the

Sir, Why is it that, as implied in the final paragraph of your leader of February 26 about corporal punishment, those of us who (like myself) oppose it are almost invariably regarded as left-wing softies?

cepts as academic excellence, segregation by ability and competition between children. But I am implacably opposed to caning, since it clearly does nothing to encourage the wrongdoer to mend his ways but instead arouses simmering and enduring resentment against school, so-ciety and the world in general. The events in So-Sanisanian events in St Saviour's in

disruptive children would be (a) tangible rewards for effort, as opposed to result and, just as important, (b) rapid and if necessary permanent suspension from the school for the persistently disruptive, who make the lives of motivated children a misery. If this had been done at Toxteth, the sad events of this week would most probably never have taken place. Yours faithfully,

From the Headmaster of Highbury Grove School Sir, In the light of the Strasbourg judgment (report, February 26) will it now be possible for parents whose philosophical conviction it is that corporal punishment should be employed in schools to insist upon the state making this provision available?

or is it the view of six of the seven gentlemen of Strasbourg that other people's (in this country, the overwhelming majority's) philosophical convictions are simply irrational preiudices?

e hbury have without being subjected to February 27.

Naval policy

From Mr P. J. Freeman

maritime forces.
Whatever doubts the Secretary of State for Defence or his advisers may have as to the effectiveness of the Royal Navy's ASW (anti-submarine warfare) carriers, the decision to retain two of these vessels in service is an admission, albeit a somewhat grudging admission, that they are valuable additions to the Fleet. Indeed, their proponents would argue that the combination of Sea

defence and anti-submarine escorts that would be necessary to protect the carriers. Therefore, it is better to keep two in service rather than three and spend the rest of the money on the frigate force (Official Report February Z3, 1982, voi 18 c 734).

However, he went on to express his own belief that no government would order ASW carriers today and it may be inferred from earlier speeches of the Secretary of State that he

There are grounds for thinking that the policy adopted represents a dangerous compromise. If the Secretary of State is correct in his fears as to the vulnerability of these ships, then it is not at all clear that even the

would, of course, be necessary for them to carry the support of their children's parents in all that they do. Schools must be allowed

diverse approaches to discipline as a reflection of the diverse attitudes of the parents whose children attend them. Pressure for the reverse of this is what has brought many schools to their present low ebb in this area. Yours etc.,

HARRY GREENWAY, House of Commons. February 26.

From Mrs Jennifer Radice

I am regarded by my fellow Islington primary school parents as a self-confessed right-winger in educational matters, since I support such unfashionable con-

Toxteth prove my point.

My method for dealing with

JENNIFER RADICE 43 Highbury Park, N5. February 26.

Yours faithfully LAWRENCE NORCROSS, Highbury Grove School,

Sir, The sale of HMS Invincible the Royal Australian Navy highlights the dangers inherent in the present Government's policy of diverting resources away from the United Kingdom's

Harrier aircraft and Sea King helicopters with extensive com-mand and communications facili-

mand and communications facilities gives these ships a unique
capability.

The Secretary of State's reasons, as given to the House of
Commons, for maintaining only
two ASW carriers in service are
revealing. On February 23, Mr
Nott, having referred to the
limited naval resources available,
said:

We cannot afford to deploy the air defence and anti-submarine escorts

the Secretary of State that he believes the ASW carriers are now vulnerable to the latest Soviet weapon systems such as the Oscar-class submarine.

two carriers in service can be adequately protected with the weapon systems currently available to the Royal Navy, and accordingly none of them should

be retained.

If, on the other hand, the Secretary of State's fears are groundless then it would have represented a more efficient use of resources to maintain all three carriers in service, thus permit-ting two to be operational, rather than to maintain two, of which only one would normally be available. When viewed in this light the fact that the Royal Navy is apparently unable to deploy sufficient escorts to protect two carriers is a sad reflection of the folly of the Government's decision to reduce the Royal Navy's surface fleet to a maximum of 42

operational escorts.
The Secretary of State was asked in the House of Commons to explain his concept of anti-submarine warfare and how we are to meet our responsibilities.
In view of the grave doubts
surrounding the Government's
policy, the public is entitled to
such an explanation as a matter of urgency. Yours faithfully,

P. J. FREEMAN. 12 Tenison Avenue. Cambridge.

From Mr O. T. P. Carne Sir, There seems something paradoxical about not being able to afford the anti-submarine and anti-aircraft defence of three anti-submarine aircraft carriers.

Perhaps your Defence Correspondent could discuss the logic of even keeping two rather than scrapping the lot? Incidentally, if the Royal Navy cannot defend three aircraft

carriers, what are the prospects for other shipping? Yours truly, O. T. P. CARNE.

16 Elmwood, Welwyn Garden City, Hertfordshire.

Parents and European Court judgment Nuclear threat to Dorset's heath blanket bans or directives on

suspensions, expulsions, corporal punishment or anything else. It From Mr C. S. Green Sir, The threat to Dorset's heathland posed by the Winfrith power station plan is very real (feature, February 20). The relative lack of opposition renrelative lack of opposition renders Dorset's two sites particularly vulnerable, and of these Herbury, although technically attractive, may be a "red herring" to draw off the opposition.

When the original Winfrith establishment was built great play was made of the landscaping of the site and of its purely research interests. Now two

research interests. Now two reactor buildings dominate the complex, one experimental and redundant, the other a small generator producing 20 per cent of Dorset's meagre electricity

demand. The new giant would supply much of southern Britain. The United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority have even had the effrontery to erect notices warning of the adjacent site's status as a nature reserve protected, that is, until such time as they decide to destroy it. Now, alive to the growing opposition, they are claiming that less obtrusive cooling towers can be erected, a small comfort considering that they would still destroy the site and still be monuments to the inefficient energy conversion of

large power stations. The irony is that archaeological research on this very heath has shown that this natural wilderness is really the product of the over-exploitive farming of Neolithic and Bronze Age man. Under their barrows lie the remnants of the original fertile soil while round about is the desolation they created from the 4,000-year-old post-glacial forest. The beauty of the heath is thus a warning to us. Today we are making the same mistakes in the clearance of the tropical forests.

From past experience a "half-life" of about 18 months is reckoned for active local opposition and media interest. Christopher Booker has thus provided timely refuelling of the two-year-old campaign and a spur to greater efforts against the desecration of this and other threatened landscapes.

Yours faithfully, CHRISTOPHER SPAREY GREEN 30 High Street Sixpenny Handley, Salisbury, February 24.

Enemies of Parliament

From Mr Ray Spencer Sir, You said in yesterday's editorial (February 23) "Political strikes are not consistent with parliamentary democracy". Are Mr Len Murray and the TUC no better than the Militant Tendency ing industry-wide action against the Government's legal curbs on trade union power? Yours sincerely.

RAY SPENCER. 18 The Spinney, Tattenham Corner, Epsom, Surrey February 24.

From Mr John Liddington Sir, You assert (leader, February 23) that political strikes "are not consistent with parliamentary democracy because they are the

democracy because they are the exercise of power in defiance of those who are elected to represent the majority".

This is not true. The political use by trades unions of the right to strike is, in itself, no more seditious (though it is far more effective) than the political use by business firms of the right to by business firms of the right to dispose of profit.

This is not to say that political

strikes are not open to objection. The objection to them is the same as the objection to all strikes. A strike is a breach of promise secure from redress. A breach of promise is a wrong. A wrong secure from redress is an iniquity.

Yours faithfully, JOHN LIDDINGTON, University of York, Heslington, February 23.

Secretarial duties

From Mr A. D. R. Holland Sir, In your correspondence columns today (February 26), you have been addressed by a Secretary General and a General Secretary. It would be of interest to know whether the distinction between these two titles is generally considered to be one of class or function or a combination of both.

Yours faithfully, ANTHONY D. R. HOLLAND, 7/8 Warwick Street, W1. February 26.

the paradoxical situation of Untapped resources From Mr R. M. Huleatt-James Sir. Have I uncovered a London

borough's ingenious scheme to circumvent the recent House of Lords decision on the GLC supplementary precept and obtain forbidden finance for pet projects?

My local authority recently wrote to me promoting the merits of payment of rates by direct debit and its letter contained the following blandishment: There are, however, extensive safe-

the possibility that the Council might originate direct debits to your bank account without regard to the intended purpose of the payment or the amount due. Yours faithfully,

R. M. HULEATT-JAMES. 10a Tabor Grove, Wimbledon, SW19.

Loans for industry

From Mr George Bowen

Sir, I was delighted to read George Brock's article on invest-ment and interest rates in industry (February 19). I hope it initiates the detailed discussion which I have called for before in

The short-term view taken by

the clearing banks is a disaster for British manufacturing indus-try. An individual can get a low-interest, 25-year loan to buy a house but not to expand and modernize & manufacturing

company.

The banks might argue that the profitability of British manufacturing industry is so low that it is not in their shareholders' interest to take a long-term view. I believe that this merely hides the lack of long-term planning and industrial expertise in our bloated, monopolistic banking sector. Many people enjoy working in

small manufacturing units. If we modernize and improve productivity and competitiveness the markets and the profits are there, even in a recession. But we are in a Catch-22 situation. We cannot improve profitability without vestment, and to borrow short term, at present interest rates (and with all the personal Sugarnities demanded by the banks) would be a nonsense. For while many small firms with new investment could become stable and reliable employers and viable employers are very unlikely to produce the short-term high profitability that other less worthwhile sectors of the economic constitution if only the economy can achieve if only because they are often in a highly competitive situation which keeps prices down.

I am a pessimist I don't believe that the banks can or will voluntarily change their attitudes in the short term and I doubt

in the short term, and I doubt whether they, or the Civil Service, will be persuaded to accept the Grylls scheme. In my opinion the Government should direct the banks to lend a small percentage of their funds long percentage of their funds long term and at lower interest rates to the most deserving firms in the manufacturing and other employment-creating sectors. This could

existing, much-trumpeted and barely discernible business development loan schemes that some of them run at present. The cost

lending.
It should be left to the banks to ensure that the loans are used for the proper purpose. This, after all, is no more than German and Japanese banks do now. It is in the long-term interest of the shareholders of the banks and of the whole nation to have a viable, modern, employment-creating manufacturing sector. Yours faithfully, GEORGE BOWEN. Mendham Bowen Limited.

The Pope's visit

45 Blackfriars Road, SE1.

From the Reverend William Leah Sir, Anglicans can only rejoice with their Roman Catholic friends in the theme of the Seven Sacraments as the theme for the Pope's visit. The preface to the Alternative Service Book (letter, February 23) is better understood as expressing the hope that the revised liturgy of the Church of England does not deviate from that simple Catholicism which provides the doctrinal basis of the Book of Common

Prayer. There are, it is true, the two sacraments which Anglicans generally hold to be necessary for salvation, but quite clearly provision is made, one way or another, for the other five, including, in the ASB, the blessing of the oils. Any of us who have been confirmed, married ordained, absolved or anointed will be only too glad to rejoice in the sacramental ministry of the Church, whether Roman, Anglican or Orthodox. It would be better to hope that this historic visit would prompt

the Church of England not only

be merely an expansion of the give offence to Catholics, existing, much-trumpeted and whether RCs or ACs, or to barely discernible business develwould be the best possible eirenical gesture. should be borne by the banks. Yours faithfully, and, if necessary, by higher WILLIAM LEAH, interest rates for other areas of Hawkhurst Vicari WILLIAM LEAH. Hawkhurst Vicarage, Kent. February 23.

Ethnic schooling

From Mr A. M. Housley Sir, Councillor Croft's assertation (February 19) that opposition to the sale of an Ealing high school to the Church of England was limited to "a few dozen vociferous ideologues" is not true. The matter aroused considerable local interest, was fully covered by the local press, and was the subject of a public consultation programme where the motives of the vast majority of people signing the canvass returns were not clearly identified.

The original admissions policy had to be scrapped as it contravened the Race Relations Act 1976, and the existing policy offers preferment to children of Anglican parents, in a multi-recial, multi-faith borough where 20 per cent of the population is a member of an ethnic minority From Dr R. A. Sturge

Most people would probably accept that it is the purpose of education to provide the skills and knowledge for their adult life, but it is equally arguable that the way this desirable aim is realised should not intensify the barriers of class, race and

appear to further this undesirable

effect. Yours faithfully. A. M. HOUSLEY, Principal Community Relations Officer. **Ealing Community Relations** Council 2 The Green,

High Street, Ealing, W5.

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risen, though by no means as fast or as high as we would have The sale of state schools to those with sectarian interest and selective admissions would liked.

expansion of private medicine, at a time when public funds are in short supply, but we must not be fooled into believing that this will ever be other than to the detriment of the public health service. It is nonsense to speak of

private sector also work in the public sector. It is even nonsense to speak of private medicine supplementing the NHS financially - the methods of achieving R. A. STURGE, this are no more than pipe dreams, and the end result can be

oversupply. There comes a point where copious provision of medical services merely encourages overunlization resulting in, for instance, a growth of surgery for doubtful indications such as

disease of gall bladder or tonsils,

and an increased rather than a

reduced strain on the economy in

general. This particular problem has been well documented in the USA. These, Sir, are the true consequences of a so-called partnership between private and public medicine - a two-tier system with more than excellent service for the executive hernia, and a chronically under-funded service for the long-term sick, the elderly and the poor.

Yours faithfully, 45 Eaton Rise, W5.

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COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT **CIRCULAR**

BUCKINGHAM PALACE March 1: The Prince of Wales Colonel, The Welsh Guards attended the Regimental St David's Day Parade at Queen Elizabeth Barracks, Pirbright, Surrey today. Major John Winter was in

His Royal Highness was His Royal Highness was present this evening at a dinner in connection with the Landseer Exhibition at the Tate Gallery, London, SW1.

The Hon Edward Adeans was

The Prince of Wales will attend a concert to inaugurate the Festival of India at the Festival Hall on March 22.

The Prince of Wales will attend a reception in connection with the Queen's Award for Export Achievement at Buckingham Palace on March 25.

Princess Anne, president, British Academy of Film and Television Arts, will attend the Television Craft Awards at 195 Piccadilly on

Forthcoming marriages

Mr J M B Greenaway and Miss S M Birch The engagement is announced between John, son of Sir Derek Greenaway, Bt, and Lady Greenaway of Dunmore, Four Elms, Edenbridge, Kent, and Susan, daughter of Mr and Mrs Henry Birch, of Lion House, Tattenhall, Cheshire. The engagement is announced

Mr J. M. Sutherland and Miss F. M. M. Campbell

The engagement is announced between James, son of Sir lain and Lady Sutherland, the British Embassy, Athens, and Fiona, daughter of Dr and Mrs J. K. Campbell, of Boar's Hill, Oxford.

Mr M. L. Burch and Misc V. C. T. Marmies

The engagement is announced between Mark Lowrie, son of Major-General and Mrs Geoffrey Burch, of Chariton, Goodrich, Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire, and Victoria Clare Tregarthen, daughter of Dr and Mrs Douglas Marmion, of Shopp Hill Farm, near Haslemere, Surrey.

Mr R. Conway and Miss J. E. S. Ingham.

The engagement is announced between Robin, younger son of Mr and Mrs F. H. Conway, of Kempston, Bedford, and Jane Elizabeth Sarah, daughter of Mr and Mrs D. H. B. Ingham, of Chapel Hill, Basingstoke. Hamp-Mr. W. Westne

and Miss F. C. Primavera

The engagement is announced between William, younger son of Mr P. A. Weston and Mrs V. M. R. Weston, and Francesca, elder daughter of Mr L. Primavera and

Birthdays today



Cardinal Basil Hume, Archbishop of West-minster, who is 59.

Sir John Ackroyd, 50; Miss Margaret Barbieri, 35; Mr Harry Blech, 72; Lady Moyra Browne, 64; Baroness Burton of Coventry, 78; Lord Cottesloe, 82; Lord Crook, 81; Sir Leonard Crossland, 68; Instructor Rear-Admiral Sir Charles Darlington, 72; Lieutenant-General Sir John Eldridge, 84; Lord Elton, 52; Sir Cyril Raines, 87; Lord Howie of Troon, 58: Dame Naomi James. Troon, 58; Dame Naomi James, 33; Professor Sir Anthony Lewis, 67; Air Marshal Sir Philip Livingston, 89; Mr Daniel Mei-nertzhagen, 67; Dame Partie Menzies, 83; Mr Robert Simpson, 61; Mr J P R Williams, 33.

Royal Ascot

The Royal Meeting at Ascot will take place on June 15, 16, 17 and 18. Applications for admission to the Royal Ascot enclosure should be made to Her enclosure should be made to mer Majesty's Representative, Ascot Office, St James's Palace, Lon-don, SW1, between January 1 and April 30. Applicants should apply April 30. Applicants should apply only for members of their family, stating their full names and their ages if they are of 16-25 years; children under 16 are not admitted except on the Friday when adults with badges may bring children of 10-15 years for whom no prior application need be made. New applicants will be sent a form to have signed by a sent a form to have signed by a sponsor whose name is already on the royal enclosure list. Visitors from overseas should apply to their ambassador or high commissioner. In the enclosure ladies will wear formal day dress with hats, gentlemen morning dress or service dress.

Malvern College

Entrance scholarships and exhibitions, 1982
Major scholarships: D B M Hariman, Dragon Scholarships: D B M Hariman, Dragon Scholarships: H M Johnstone, Chickier School, Durham, Minor scholarships: H M Johnstone, Oakley Hall, Circencester; M P Kiggeli ("Music Exhibition), Terra Nova, Holmes Chapel: P A Davis, The Reacon, Chesham Bois; C Beecham, Dragon School, Oxford, J Lawrence, Maillield, Birmingham, College and Monmouth School: N Gerstenberg, Mary Mary College and Si Andrew's School, Nassau; J Harding, Arnold Lodge, Narssau; Maleern College and SI Andrew's School. Nassau; J Harding. Arnold Lodge, Warwick. Major mestic scholar: J H S Dawe, Durham Cathedral Chorister School, Minser music scholars: D E Jones, Rose Hin School; M Phipps, S Michael's, Tenbury: C de E Bayley, Ripon Cathedral School. M P Kiggell. Terra Music cafaibilioner: M P Kiggell. Terra Music cafaibilioner: M P Kiggell. Terra

Missic exhibitioner: M Priggell, 1978 Nova. Mesic Priser: W A T Penrice. Mesic Priser: R K G Wality. Windersham House. H R Wality. Davenies School. Art scholarship: J M Higgins. Art scholarship: Linears. Mostra House. Mostra House. Marwick. Marwick. Marwick. Marwick.

Rabbi's book

The book by Rabbi Dow Marmur, of the North Western Reform Synagogue, London, mentioned in our religious article on this page yesterday was Beyond Survival, Reflections on the Future of Judaism, published by Daron, Longman and Todd at 17.95.

Mr M. V. Bushnell and Miss G. N. Monks

The engagement is announced between Martin Vaughan, only son of Mr and Mrs A. C. Bushnell, of The Node, Edale Close, Leyland, Lancashire, and Gillian Nonita, only daughter of Mr and Mrs. James E. Monks, of Drybones, Chorley, Lancashire.

Mr J. P. Lazarus and Miss M. A. McBain

The engagement is announced between James, youngest son of Mr and Mrs P. E. Lazarus, of London, N6, and Mary, youngest daughter of the late Mr E. J. McBain and Mrs S. H. McBain, of Leamington Spa.

Mr J. D. Martineau and Miss E. J. Ham

Mr P Wrep-Lowry and Miss R. Parker.

The engagement is announced between Paul Wren-Lowry, only son of Mrs Margaret Couch, of Maidstone, and Rosalind, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Colin Parker, of Neals Place, Canter-

Order of the British Empire

The attention of the officers of the Order of the British Empire-has been drawn to a brochure issued by the Gilbey Jubilee Collection, inviting purchases of British Familia Collection, inviting purchases of a British Empire brooch to be worn by ladies who have associations with the Order of the British Empire, either as members or as relatives of members. The officers of the order think it right to give notice that the offer of this "British Empire Brooch" is a commercial venture and is in no way authorized, approved or endorsed by them.

Royal Navy promotions

Captain A A Lockyer to be Chief Staff Officer (Engineering) to Commander-in-Chief Fleet in August in the rank of Rear-Admiral, in succession to Rear-Admiral P G Hammersley. The following promotions to

lieutenant-commander on the Supplementary List have been Lieutenant to Heutenant-cammander: Scamant R S James, C N Colemant J Heath, C J Blight, A J Gilmour, k Wren, S R Fidder, A P Skiera, R k Broom, I G Müng, C J Collins, Instructure A J Lockett, J & Keenan,

University news Oxford

Oxford

Elections

ST ANTONY'S COLLEGE: Professorial fellowship from Jan. 1, 1982: J A A Stockwin, MA (PhD), australian National University, faculty fellowship from Jan. 1, 1982: Ann Waswe, MA (MA, Phd, Stanford): research fellowship and the stanford of the stanford of

St Andrews
The following honorary degrees
will be conferred at the graduation cercanonies on July 8 and 9 in the Younger Hall: LLD: Mr Francis M. Bird, lawyer. DLitt: Professor Ian D. McFarlane, professor of French litera-ture at Oxford University. H.A.: Mr George Cowie, press

photographer. D.D: Professor Jurgen Moltmann, theologian, and Rev A. Scott Hutchison, minister of Rubislaw church, Aberdeen. DSc: Professor Hans W. Kostelitz, pharmacologist. litz, pharmacologist.

Grant
Science and Engineering Research
Council £99,750 to DT J E and L A
Fotherpill for Scottish liquid-phase
sequencer facility. Appointments
L-clurers Or D S Hops (oral physiology). Dr D R Plam (clvii chaincering) both from April 18
Mr D C Johnson appointed chief investigational officer in the department of spricelitural economics.

Grants
Health and Safety Executive: £55.038
to department of occupational health
and bygiene for decompression
sickness control registry.
Medical Rosearch Council: £95,181 to
Dr P T Emmerson for DNA regair and
genetic recombination in E coll;
cloning of recRC genes and investigation of gene product.
Science and Engineering Research
Council: £56,529 to Dr A J Morris for
adoptive inforential control of distillation collumns.

Ellesmere College Music scholarships are awarded to the following: T. Goode, St. Michael's College, Tenbury Wells: G. M. Ledger, The Cathedral V. Chon. Landaff: H. E. Renderal V. Cherbander St. Cherbam's School of Music, Manchester.

Rose Ball

The Rose Ball, in aid of the Imperial Cancer Research Fund, will be held at Westonbirt School, Tetbury, on Saturday, June 5.

The Duke of Edinburgh, Colonel of the Grenadier Guards, will visit Gloucester will attend a concert the new regimental headquarters of Polish popular music given by the Commonwealth Philharmonic Orchestra at the Albert Hall on

The Duchess of Rent, as president will attend the BBC Television Young Musician of the Year brass final at the Royal Northern College of Music, Manchester, on April 20.

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Donald Bowie, Director of the Church of England Children's Society, will be held at Alveston Parish Church, Stratford-on-Avon, on Priday, March 12, at 12 2000.

Luncheons

Launderers' Company
The Master Mr E. Stanley Hale,
the Wardens and court of the Wardens and Court of assistants of the Launderers' Company, held a luncheon for liverymen at Glaziers' Hall yesterday. A proposal to found Launderers' Hall was made.

Mr Tom Normanton, MP, MEP, Mr Tom Normanion, MP, MEP, was host at a luncheon given yesterday in the House of Commons, on the occasion of a Y reunion. The gnest speakers were Brigadier L. A. W. New, Brigadier-General staff (Intelligence) and Brigadier B. A. H. Parritt, Director of Intelligence

Reception

Dinners

HM Government
Mr John Biffen, Secretary o
State for Trade, was host at
dinner held last night a
Laucaster House in honour o
Shaikh Hisham Nazer, Ministe
of Planning of Saudi Arabia.

Sugar Trade of the United Kingdom The Sugar Trade of the United Kingdom held a dinner at the Mansion House last night by permission of the Lord Mayor who was present. The dinner marked the centenary of the Sugar Association of London. Mr. Alan Clatworthy, Chairman of the Sugar Association of London, presided and the guest speaker. presided and the guest speaker was Lord Justice Donaldson.

Chartered . Institute of Paten Agests
Lord Denning, Master of the
Rolls, was the principal guest at
the centenary dinner of the
Chartered Institute of Patent
Agents held at Guildhall last
night. Mr Reginald Eyre, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of
State for Trade, proposed the
health of the institute. Mr J U
Naukom, president, responded.
Other guests included:
Mr Justice Walford. Mp Justice
Falconer. Sir Feter Emery. Mp Mr I J
G Davis, Miss S F Lesley, Mr D A
Marshall, Mr J R Davy, Mr M J Daley.
Mr D OLewis. Mr C G Wietham and Mr
M D Snessali.

Ninth victory for Middlesex

Middlesex won the English Bridge Union's county teams of eight championship for the Tollemache Cup held at Birming-ham at the weekend for a record ninth time. All five counties had won their area qualifying rounds but the only one to mount a

Fan Makers' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Fan Makers' officers of the ran maxers Company for the ensuing year: Master, Mr Robert Gold; Free Warden, Mr D A Collins; Foreign Warden, Mr R H Husband; Clerk,

Latest wills Latest estates include (net, before tax paid):
Atkinson, Mr John Slate, of Burnard Castle, Co Durham
5270,724

Miles Kington is on holiday this week

by Prince Michael. When the silver farthing gave way to token change

Princess Michael of Kent leaving the King Edward VII Hospital for Officers in London yesterday after a gall bladder operation last month. She is accompanied

Nowadays the Royal Mint copes with inflation by issuing coins of ever larger denomination as their value falls. In earlier times, when the value of coinage was linked to its weight in precious metal, no such easy solution was available.

The issue of a silver farthing being beyond the correct of the

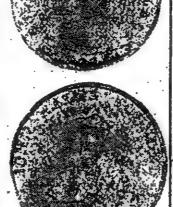
being beyond the capacity of the authorities, small traders and tavern keepers stepped into the breach and issued tokens which

were used as small change within their restricted locality.

Tomorrow Spink's of King Street, St Jamos's, is to hold one of the most important suctions of these tokens. Prices are expected to run from £10 for two Weish where to £625 for a commelsen. tokens to £625 for a comprehensive group of 23 seventeenth century pieces struck for use at Blandford in Dorset.

No silver farthings were struck after 1553 but there was an acute need for small coinage and tokens began to circulate. During tokens segm to curcuste. The seventeenth and the seventeenth, eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries they commonplace. Indeed, en 1648 and 1672 more than 17,500 types of token were issued, 5,000 of them in London alone, and sometimes only accepted as currency in a few streets of the capital.

Tomorrow's auction includes the collection of Dorset seventeenth century tokens formed by Sir John Ludlow Hanham (1897-1955) and the collection of Cambridgeshire seventeenth century tokens accumulated by the late William Gibert during the first 40 years of this century, which is the most comprehensive group of its kind over auctioned.



Token change: An Ayrshire halfpenny of 1797 (top) and a Coven-try Nickson halfpenny of 1799.

The largest group of material covering all counties, comes from the collection of Harry Pegg of Beeston, the eighteenth century series being largely of genuine trade tokens. Other small collections cover Worces-tershire and Gloucestershire.

Play-off planned after four win chess tournament

By Harry Golombek, Chess Correspondent

nave to be a play-off among those four to determine the three to go forward to the next stage in the cycle of World Chimpionship qualifying events, the interzonal tournament due to be played later this year.

It is not yet known when the play-off will take place but since all four players are on their way home it cannot be played at once in Spain and it may well take some time for such a meeting to be arranged. From an English point of view the result is not unsatisfactory since England is sure of having at least two representatives in the Interzonal.

Tension ram high when the

There was a quadruple tie for first place in the finals of the Western European Zonal tournament that ended on Sunday at Marbella in Spain.

Three Englishmen, Mestel, Nunn and Stean, and a Dutchman, Van der Wiel, scored 4½ points and as a result there will have to be a play-off among those four to determine the three to go forward to the next stage in the course of Wall-Chemionshin as play-off for qualifying. qualifying.

Meanwhile Short looked to have the worst of it against Rivas but he fought back well to win an

important game. Had Short lost then Rivas would have joined the four qualifiers. In the other two games Steam duly beat Hebden and Van der Wiel and Ligterink had, seemingly, a premranged

had, seemingly, a passangularia.

The final scores were Mestel, Nuna, Stean (England) and Van der Wiel (Netherlands) 4½, Rivas (Spain) and Short (England) 3½, Ligterink (Netherlands) 2½ and Hebden (England) ½.

The Times University Results Service

The following is a list of higher degrees announced by Scirling University:

MATHER OF LETTERS

MATHEMATICAL TIMES AND AGGREES MASTER OF LETTERS IN MODERAL BILICIS, MARION LINES, J MACGIORS. MASTER OF LETTERS IN MODERAL FRENCH LITERATURE MASTER OF LETTERS IN MODEROR
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J Bagahaw.
MASTER OF LETTERS IN SCOTTISH STUDIES
F K MONAGHAIN MO MINISOPHY
MASTER OF SCIENCE IN AQUACULTURE AND FISHERY MANAGE.
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MCKENNA. D S MUTPHY. J O'LSAN, J D
PALETSON, CAILMENN M SYME
DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY
I BYSON, J M HICCESON, G KYGERE,
GTACKEL C de MUNDZ, S BUILS.

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN TECHNO-LOGICAL ECONOMICS M.J. Fillot, P. A. Guest, M.J. Morgan. BACHELOR OF ARTS (First Dograves) Honours in English Studies Bernadette Brown, Lisloy M. Greenan, Ann Thexton. English Studies and Franch Christine & Pope.

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act, I C Stewart, B J Welsh. General Degree J A Black, Alicon I Campbell, D Campbell, B German, I ffescain, Norman, N C Thompson, Rebecton Thomson, Anne B Ward, Kristy M

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Inspiring influence in occupied Singapore

OBITUARY

SIR ROBERT SCOTT

changing attitudes of old and new countries. He travelled widely seeing old friends and between Scott and Sumida at the latter's war crimes trial after the Japanese surrender. Rosamund Dewar Durie. He Nosamuna Dewar Durie. He served in Japan, Manchuria, Peking, Canton; Chunking, Shanghai and Hongkong and added to his knowledge of the Chinese language by added to his knowledge of there was no doubt who was the Chinese language by learning Japanese, German, Dutch, French and some Russian During his career in China at that time he often fell foul of the Japanese. At the beginning of the Second World War he was conducting British propaganda in Japan but in 1941 was transferred to Singapore to out the city as "the man in Innerial Defence College. He

prisoners. But Scott was ness that all were astonished always regarded with — not least the accused. In suspicion by the Japanese fact Scott never subsequently with family and friends, showed any animosity counselling young offenders, showed any animosity counselling young offenders, salmon fishing, his duties as upwars later with the help of became a leader in the camp. Tokyo he arranged a meeting aggressive initially and the inmates did much of their own administration. Contact was maintained with those outside. Towards the summer turned to the United King-

PROFESSOR J.M.ROBSON Professor John Michael in pharmacology at Guy's Robson, FRSE, died in Hospital Medical School, London on February 18, at London and in 1950 he was London on February 18, at London and in 1950 he was the age of 81.

the age of 81.

He was born in 1900 pharmacology at Guy's. In addition to developing his England before the First world war. He studied medicine at Leeds Thingarian and In 1950 he was appointed to the first chair in addition to developing his coriginal research on reproduction at Leeds Thingarian and In 1950 he was appointed to the first chair in addition to developing his coriginal research on reproduction into the areas of chemical cine at Leeds University and chemical mutagens, terato-qualified in 1925. He proceed-ed to MD in 1930 and DSc in 1932.

During the whole of his career he was principally involved in research dealing with the physiology and pharmacology of the reproductive system. He rapidly became a distinguished international figure in this field. Some of his early work on the role of hormones in the maintenance of pregnancy helped to form the basis of the new science of reproductive endocrinology. With out such fundamental results are such fundamental results and of the countryside. ductive endocrinology. With had a profound love of music out such fundamental read of the countryside, search the contraceptive pill Throughout his long career. could not have been devel- he was assisted in his studies

ped.
In 1946 he became reader
and laboratory work by his wife Sarah who survives him.

MR BRIAN HOLBECHE Mr Brian Holbeche, who died on February 17 in a road accident near Taunton, at the age of 61, was educated at Wyggeston Boys' Grammar School in Leicester and the Northampton Polytechnic in Holling and the Morthampton Polytechnic in direct grant committee of HMC in 1972, a member of its double first in the English accedemic committee in 1976 Northampton Polytechnic in London, before gaining a HMC in 1972, a member of its double first in the English academic committee in 1976 and its representative in the Catharine's College, Cam-Schools Council in the same

During the Second World year. War as an RNVR officer he He was also a member of was in the submarine service two important working parin the Middle East. He taught for four years as

He taught for four years as assistant master at Kingswood School, Bath, and for seven years as senior English master at St Peter's School

seven years as senior English master at St Peter's School, York before becoming headmaster of King Edward's School, Bath in 1962.

The next 20 years were to witness a remarkable transformation of that establishment (previously a small school set in cramped conditions in the city centre). Numbers trebled; buildings multiplied on its fine new site; academic standards rose to an impressive level.

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In 1971. He contributed a number of papers on various aspects of education — "The Problems of Transition from School to University", "Problems of Transition from School to University", "The Four Term Year", "The Sixth Form of the Future", "Authority and Participation in the Schools", etc. For all these services to education, he was appointed CBE in 1972.

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Holbeche also made a name for himself in the wider world of education. Elected on to the executive com- of Bath, serving for many mittee of the HMA in 1966, years as a local magistrate. he became chairman of its He leaves a widow, a parliamentary committee in married son and a married 1967, national president of daughter.

Sir Robert Heatlie Scott, of 1943 the Japanese became dom where his convalescence apprehensive about the was shortened by an insensigner of the Second World figure of the Second World servant and a legendary figure of the Second World War in Singapore. He was 76. He was born at Peterhead on September 20 1905, eldest son of T. H. Scott, a civil engineer. When he was still a long the family moved to Trimidad following the father's work. There he completed his schooling began in Invernees. He was a clever but rebellious student. He used to tell of the happy occasion on which he was saved from further corporal punishment when the first blow of the came coincided exactly with the initial shock of a serious earthquake. He nevertheless scored a precocious trimph by winning at the age of 15 a scholarship to New College, Oxford. The college refused to accept him at that age and he taught at his school for two years before coming to England.

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the latter's war crimes trial after the Japanese surrender.

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the crisis deepened in Singapore he became a member of the Governor's War Council consisting of the three scruice chiefs. From contemporary accounts he outshone the others in vigour and imagination in the face of the impending catastrophe.

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MAJOR W. L.

BAXENDALE Major William Lloyd Baxendale died on February 15 at the age of 62. John Baxendale (as he was univer-Baxendale (as ne was universally known) was a talented wildlife painter in watercolours. Born in 1919, the second son of Captain G V Baxendale, DL, of Framfield place, East Sussex, he was educated at Eton and University College. Oxford, and in sity College, Oxford, and in 1940 was commissioned in the Coldstream Guards, He served in the second World War (in which both his brothers lost their lives) with 6th Armoured Division, 1st Army, and was in North Africa 1942-43.

A popular regimental offic-er, he retired in 1947 to join the Thames Steam Tug & Lighterage Co. in the City of Lighterage Co. in the City of London, of which his father was for many years chairman, and of which he was managing director until the company became part of the Transport Development Group in 1961.

He remained with its director company until he

successor company until he left the City altogether in 1970 to devote himself fully 1970 to devote himself fully to his career as an artist. Having studied under Philip Rickman, whose style he closely followed, he held several exhibitions in London in recent years. His work was much in demand.

He was a Justice of the Peace and a Deputy Lieutenant for East Sussex and was High Sheriff in 1963. A knowledgeable gardener, he created with an artist's eye a created with an artist's eye a beautiful garden at his home at Hailwell House, Framfield.

Endowed with great natural charm, as well as humility, he will be missed by a wide circle of friends.
He married in 1945 Lady Elizabeth Joan, younger daughter of the 5th Earl Fortescue KG and is survived by her, two sons and a daughter.

Lady Percy of Newcastle, widow of Lord Percy of Newcastle, PC, sometime President of the Board of Education and of the Royal Institution, died on February 21 at the 202 of 85 She was A man of boundless encrey, abundant humour and lively personality, he was widely respected in the City of Bath, serving for many years as a local magistrate.

He leaves a widow, a Justice of the Peace for East Sussex. Her husband died in

John Percual re A duet of

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Good reasons for regional pride

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Harold Gilman. 👙 1876-1919

Royal Academy of Arts

We are so constantly besought. these days to emphasize, respect and wonder at the artistic independence of the regions (provinces no more) that more often than not we have the impression that we are bolstering a politic fiction rather than acknowledging a self-evident fact. And yet, for all the tendency of at least three centuries to concentrate artistic activity in London, the regional traditions did and do exist, and there have certainly been more than enough certainly been more than enough groups arise on the spot, stay put, and expect Londoners, if they were interested, to post up to Liverpool, Manchester, Newcastle, Birmingham or wherever, rather then wait to be wooed in the West End. And if they were not interested, well, that was their loss; local markets offered more than enough material support. han enough material support.

It is always pleasing to see such local manifestations of the art-spirit commemorated in sim. Birmingham City Museum and Art-Gallery has a fine record here: in Gallery has a fine record here: in the last four years, it has begun to work its way systematically through the main figures of the great Arts and Crafts flowering which took place around Birmingham in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. First there was a comprehensive show, By Hammer and Hand, in 1978 to mark out the confines of the spheet and introduce us to the subject and introduce us to the Birmingham craft scene. Then came smaller shows devoted to Edith Payne, exquisite depictor of flowers, and E. A. Jones, metal-craftsman, and last year a big one-man show of Joseph Southall, the painter in tempera. This year it is the turn of a couple closely linked with the others, Arthur and Georgie Gaskin (until March 21).

The Gaskins were both films subject and introduce us to the

The Gaskins were both illustrators, both jewellery designers and workers in precious metal. Before they got married in 1894 Georgie had achieved some slight note under her own name of Georgie Cave France, after that she tended to receive less notice than her husband, though she

style markedly distinct from his until around 1900; after which she devoted herself almost entirely to devoted herself almost entirely to designing jewellery, an activity in the nature of things closer to anonymity. There has been no exhibition of Arthur's work since the Memorial Show of 1929, and none really of Georgie's ever. The organizers of the present show. George Breeze and Glemys Wild, attempt to separate the two (closely linked as they were professionally and personally) and to give both equal billing. The show is accompanied by one of those beautifully illustrated catalogues which tell us all we could possibly want to know (well,

logues winch tell us all we could possibly want to know (well, almost) about its subjects, and will remain the definitive work on the subject; it is written by the organizers, and costs, during the exhibition, a modest £2.95.

So, are they worth all the care and trouble so patently lavished on them? Is it more than local pride? them? Is it more than local pride? No one is going to pretend that either of the Gaskins is an artist of world stature, shamefully neglected But, at the same time, there is enough skill and individuality to make this study overdue. Finally Arthur succeeds primarily as a

draughtsman (even his paintings are solidly based on draughtsman-

ship), while Georgie is almost as gifted in illustration before 1900 as in metalwork afterwards.

It is not surprising that Arthur early gained the attention and respect of William Morris, who wrote an enthusiastic introductory wrote an enthusiastic introductory note to his exquisitely illustrated edition of Good King Wenceslaus (1895), printed in its first version at the Birmingham Guild of Handicraft Press and one of the most destrable of Arts and Crafts books. It is very surprising that Morris should later have turned against him, and rejected the series of illustrations he did for the Kelmscott edition of The Well at the Westle's End. Mr Breeze at the World's End, Mr Breeze quite rightly observes that they are among Gaskin's best work, and, since most of the original designs are included, we can decide for ourselves. Many good judges like Arthur's illustrations for Hans Andersen best of all those inspired by the fairy stories, and the show has turned up an astonishing amount of other book work, used and unused Later, Arthur con-tinued to paint, meticulously, in tempera, and draw landscapes and people. Some of his later pastels, such as A Barley Field of 1918, take on an unexpectedly fauve rich-

Georgie quietly went her own way. Her illustrative work was usually more delicate and, as we used to say, feminine than her husband's. When she turned exclusively to jewsiry and other metabyork, she rapidly made her own style, passing from Arts and Crafts chunkiness to a sometimes almost recoco lightness and grace in which records. which rensissance models loubtedly played their part. It



The Well at the World's End': one of Arthur Gaskin's designs so surprisingly rejected by William Morris

did all the designing and Arthur sometimes helped with the ex-ecution, along with their assistants and apprentices. Seen en masse, like this, the necklaces and pendants and brooches and rings emerge as remarkably stylistically emerge as remarkably stylistically coherent: there should never be too much problem again about identifying individual pieces as Georgie Gaskin's work. A small benefit, perhaps, but a genuine one, emerging as a by-product of the small but absolutely genuine pleasure the whole show affords, even to people who are not already besotted with Arts and Crafts.

In London there are further

In London there are further small, quiet pleasures to be culled from the small, unassertive show at the Tate in which Meredith at the Tate in which Meredith Frampton is restored to us as a significant figure in twentieth-century British art after 37 years of inactivity (enforced by failing eyesight) and neglect. The show, which runs until March 28, is the first ever devoted to Frampton, now in his eighty-eighth year, and actually, though modest in proportions, contains most of his mature works: he was always a portions, contains most of his mature works: he was siways a very slow, precise worker, and nearly all his paintings, especially the portraits which predominate, were done on commission, so even in his heyday he was not exactly well-known.

Also, which has tended to militate against his fame both in the 1930s and since, he was a highly conservative artist. So

highly conservative artist. So conservative, in fact, that his work continued to illustrate books in a seems generally agreed that she becomes eccentric and even experi- (until April 4). It may be recalled

mental. (Hardly surprisingly, he mental. (Hardly surprisingly, he admires the hard perfection of Dali's technique, and many of his own paintings have the hallucinatory clarity we associate with Dali and other classic surrealists.) Looking at a still-life like Trial and Brov (1939), we really do not know whether we are seeing something rather advanced for its time, or about three centuries too late.

Of course it really does not

Of course, it really does not matter which. The fact that we pause and wonder is some measure of Frampton's flinty originality.

And it must be admitted that he is And it must be admitted that he is really a superb portrait painter. He captures the idiosyncratic personality of Sir Henry Wood or produces a stately yet human image of George VI when Duke of York which comes over clearly to us even as we marvel (not quite irrelevantly) at the technique he brings to bear on Sir Henry's boots or the future king's orders and decorations. His rendering of the skin on Sir Frederick Gowland Hopkins's hands or Sir Ernest Hopkins's hands or Sir Ernest Goward's hands or Sir Ernest Gowers's strangely ascetic face leaves Annigoni looking like an amateurish beginner. Perhaps his qualities are not such as to recommend him, ever, to a mass public. But we owe the Tate a real debt of gratitude for making this kilhert private placetime commends. hitherto private pleasure somewhat

public at last.

Another Tate rescue operation in the shallows brings us concurrently what is no doubt the first show dedicated to John Constable's artist son Lionel Constable (not) A reil A. It was he recalled

that in 1976 there were a few ripples on the smooth surface of the art world when the organizers of the bicentenary exhibition at the Tate concluded that there were some works always attributed to John which were almost certainly by his children. This observation is now carried a stage further by isolating more than 50 paintings and drawings by Lionel.

No very marked individuality manifests itself, to be sure. But at least, gathered together, Lionel's work does not look all that like his particular fondness for bright blues and pinks in his skies), and an identifying trick of sketching in delicately a few stalks of grass or bright blues are bushes branches in the skies. hare bushy branches in the foreground of a landscape to give depth and relief. A very minor figure, no doubt, who would hardly now be exhibited in this way if he were not the son of a ferrome father. But and later the son of a ferrome father than the son of a ferrome father. famous father. But — and let us thank heaven for small mercies — it is wholly pleasurable to make his I must not omit to point out that the Harold Gibman show which I

wrote about enthusiastically from Stoke-on-Trent last year has now arrived at the Royal Academy, until April 4. Go and see it: even if you are familiar with the Camden Town Group as a group, I think you will be surprised at the power and individuality of Gilman thus isolated from the rest.

John Russell Taylor | point), rapture.

Television

Sinister errands

mounting seminars either on the role of the police as agents of repression or on satisfyingly insoluble prob-lems of editorial bias, Police (BBC 1) is already assured of its place in the history books. It would have earned that place on face-value alone.

Last night the cameras swooped about in the dark on errands which were by turns comic and tragic. Now we know what the police are snarling as they bear down on us in their supercharged Rovers: "Out of the way! Out of the way! Out of the way!" of the way! Out!" They got out their sketchpads and brooms at a motorway crash, and set off into the fields to catch a driver. They lay in wait like pikes until fool-hardy fish decided to jump red lights, and then they struck. Jammed traffic parted like the Red Sea as they sped to the scene of a fatal accident; back at the station they had the rending task of getting details from the victim's father. He was too shocked to remember his son's middle name, or his

Shots in the Dark (Horizon, BBC 2) looked at the pros and cons of an injected contraceptive called DMPA which may yet prove to be a cause of cancer. The Ban the Jabbers in Washington are counting a big campaign to

Since every ambitious Tom, Dick and Harry in the media studies world is currently widely used; Horizon went to the Burma-Thai border to see how it was administered, and how its users felt about it. We saw the contraceptive

bus make its quarterly visit to a village. It never missed a date (if necessary, elephants would tow it through the floods) and neither did its customers; traders turned its arrival into a market day. A familiar dilemma emerged: for many women the distant fear of cancer was far outweighed by the nearer fear of unwanted pregnancy or botched abortions. DMPA is apparently very effective. The programme touched on its more sinister, compulsory uses, both in Cambodian refugee camps and, it was darkly suggested, with "problem" teenagers in Britain, but its final achieve-ment was to pose a mighty

ment was to pose a mighty question.

The question hanging over Forged Papers (BBC 2) related to its producer's intentions. What was be trying to do? A maquisard, a Colditz-style escaper, the wife of a dead martyr were invited to reminisce about their experiences in occupied their experiences in occupied France. It was all very confusing and, with the exception of the widow's dreadful tale, very dispensable.

Michael Church

Dance Double triumph

Royal Ballet

Covent Garden

To see a good dancer surpass The first to shine was Bryony Brind, dancing Nikiya for the first time in La Bayadère. Something about the role, or more likely her partner, must have inspired her. The line of her dancing became sharper, the timing likewise; and, without diminishing the individuality that has made har the sudience's favourite among many gifted young dancers, she sank herself deeper into the mile than in previous the role than in previous classical assignments. She caught the gravity that is at the heart of the choreo-graphy (in the full ballet, Nikiya is a ghost at this point), and suffused it with

Far from suffering by Brind's transfer to the leading role, the trio of soloists-in which she danced at the première actually gained, because Deirdre Eyden proves even better suited to always a pleasure. For it to that part, where her control, happen twice in one evening poise and exceptional phrasis a special treat, which ing are all beautifully shown. Saturday's programme at Covent Garden afforded.

The first ** Saturday's proves even better suited to that part, where her control, poise and exceptional phrasing are all beautifully shown. In The Two Pigeons, it was Wayne Eagling's proves even better suited to that part, where her control, poise and exceptional phrasing are all beautifully shown. Wayne Eagling's turn to excel. With his impetuous manner, he might have been born to dance the headstrong hero, and the earnest wholeheartedness of his perform about Nursyev's coaching ance was as apt as his wild and his presence on stage as abandon. He does not her partner, must have attempt to emulate David Wall's triple tours en l'air in the last solo, but dances throughout with an exultant energy.

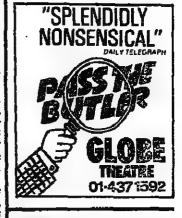
> Rosalyn Whitten, plaving the gypsy grit, snakes her shoulders and bats her eyes as to the manner born; she gets up a nice turn of speed in her solos, too. A third newcomer to this ballet. Michael Crookes, shows all the qualities needed for her lover (glamour, a good jump presence), but does not yet
> make enough of any of them.
> Sympathy for the misfortune of Wendy Ellis, who fell
> and injured her wrist while and injured her wrist while dancing the leading girl, cannot disgnise that she had already shown herself out of her depth in its comic aspects, lacking subtlety. Lealey Collier, who happened to be in the audience, deserves a medal for the speed with which she got speed with which she got herself into a costume and on to the stage to take over, and bar to it for dancing so well

warm up or even to make up. John Percival

without having been able to

• Three of the leading actors at Stratford, Ontario — Len Cariou, Lewis Gordon and Nicholas Pennell — will take Nicholas Pennell — will take part in a new "virtuoso performance" series at the Stratford Festival this summer. Lewis Gordon plays Father Damien in Aldyth Morris's single-character play Damien; Len Cariou appears with the Primavera String Quartet in A Musical String Quartet in A Musical Theatre Piece by Stanley Silverman and Tina Howe; Nicholas Pennell features in A Variable Passion, which draws on sources from Shakespeare to Spillane in observing the relationship between men and women.

 Mary Allen, formerly Projects Adviser with Mobil Oil, has been appointed Assistant Director (Arts) by the Association for Business Sponsorship of the Arts.





The dispute between the Royal Opera House and the Musicians' Union is over. Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet returns to Rosebery Avenue tonight and, included in the programme, is the world première of Kenneth MacMillan's "Quartet". This is set to the second movement of Verdi's String Quartet. MacMillan (right) has just used the first movement as a showpiece for Terabust and Schaufuss in Italy, as John Percival reports.



A duet of pure virtuosity

Aterballetto

Reggio Emilia

A small town situated just. about the hip-joint of Italy seems an unlikely spot to find a new work by Kenneth MacMillan—and his most successful creation for some time, at that. But Reggio

Romagna. The idea of forming a dance company to serve the many theatres of this region dates back about five years, but at first they ventured only into occasional productions mounted for a seembled cast. Continuous activity began in the 1980-81 season when one of Italy's leading dancers. Amedeo Amodio, became director. During that year they put on two works by Balanchine (Allegro brillame and Donizetti Variations), two by Tetley (Sphynx and Mythaul Hunters), Tudor's Jardingur Lilas and three creations by Amodio: quite an ambitious programme.

works are likely to be around for a while. MacMillan's is an extended duet of pure virtusionity. Terabust, a dancer of immensely increased configurations in the solos, full of pretty little steps, and in the many off-balance poses of the adagio sections. Schaufus and three creations by Amodio: quite an ambitious programme. productions mounted for a

second season, Aterballetin presented five more works, them; yet the most prodiction of style but all suited to the astonishing accuracy. Company of 16 dancers: Flanking this display of detroit dearly half of them Italian: classical bravura are two legins with Balanchine's unhackneyed choices. One is

company's frequent guest dancers, Elisabetta Terabust and Peter Schaufuss, to the first movement of Verdi's Emilia is, anyway, hardly String Quartet in E minor: where you would expect to music which he enjoyed so find the base of a company much that he has now set the find the base of a company much that he has now set the which accompany most of the find the base of a company much that he has now set the which accompany most of the second movement for Sadlaction. This is wild opera already toured all over Italy, and in its second is seriously and in its second is seriously première is tonight — and vocal about anything they do hopes later to make a ballet not understand.

round, which he calls Vertit
Variations, a title already
taken a month of two back by
Andre Prokovsky for his
latest creation for Festival
Ballet. It would be well to
avoid confusion, since both
works are likely to be around
for a while. MacMillan's is an

friendly attentiveness, tack-les such wildly whirling leaps Last month, to open their in his solos that there is no

Agon, ends with an ingenious by another British chorand enjoyable adaptation by eographer, Richard Alston, Amodio of Aurora's Wedding, who has mounted his Rainboundern works and the new MacMillan piece.

MacMillan piece.

MacMillan has made it as a showpiece for two of the company's frequent guest whom the work was original.

whom the work was originally made. It might be tactful, though, to persuade Charles Amirkhanian to make an Italian version of the rhythmic word-patterns which accompany most of the

discussing the possibility of a hopes later to make a value not unuevalue.

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In Agon, I have seen the opening male quartet danced here just as in any other with a more launty toughthere performance.

Predictably, the less introness, and the succeeding double and triple quartets given with sharper timing; but this is not an easy piece but this is not an easy piece and may take more performances to work into. Certainly there was no faulting the way there was no faulting the way. Terabust and another guest, Jonas Kaage, mer the challenging complexities of the pas de deux; and the two pas de trois, led respectively by Marc de Graef and Beverly Destry, were very reputably done. Certainly, events that they let pass too easily, and parts of the first movement wanted more weight, of the second more warmth. But the whole possessed real stature, and the great fogal finale, done with both repeats, came across with dash and uncommon charity.

Stanley Sadie

Academy of Ancient Music/Hogwood

Queen Elizabeth Hall Philharmonia/

It was appropriate, with their recordings of Mozart's complete symphonies ending this week, that the Academy of Ancient Music should offer the last two publicly, if only to assure us, that their recreation of Mozartian percentage of the control of Mozartian percentage of the control of the control of Mozartian percentage of the control of Mozartian percentage of the control of th forming circumstances works equally in the concert hall and is not too much the creation of the recording

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Decca's recording angels have certainly done a fine job; but hearing the Academy in the flesh does provide different kinds of revelation. About, for example, the nearingossibility of getting everything perfect and accurately tuned, from the wind especially, about the way the sound of an "authentic" orchestra based on 22 strings comes across in a mediumorchestra based on 22 strings comes across in a mediumsized hall (the answer is, with less weight than one might expect — and one cannot turn up the volume); about the sheer sweetness and beauty, though not a sensous, fulsome romantic beauty. ty, of the strings, and the richness and character of the wind chorus (particularly the G minor, done in the clarinet

version). The G minor: impassioned, personal outpouring, or concert-hall analogue of opera buffa? The Academy's answer to this famous dispute was firmly on the latter side: the Andante charming and elegant but hardly soul-searing, the Minuet rumbustious but never turbulent, the finale pulsing with vitality but low in intensity. Are we deceived by modern instruments and over-romantic and over-romantic conductors? I think not. This conductors? I think not. This was the Mozart of between Don Giovanni and Cosi, capable of ranging infinitely wide and deep; it is simply that Christopher Hogwood and Jasp Schröder (the leader) take a rather cool view. Authentic instruments do not lead direct to revealed

spective "Jupiter" came out closer to full size. There are, certainly, events that they let

Dash for safety

Concerts

Festival Hall

What is one to make of a conductor who has some difficulty keeping two horns together playing crotchets in common time at a slow tempo? I dare say the question occurred on Sunday not only to me but also to members of the Philharmonia playing Mahler's first symphony under the young Polish conductor Jacek Kasprzyk, and the answer they came up with was simple but effective: charge through at high speed and give it everything you have.

It turns out, perhaps because Mahler was himself a conductor of decisive com-mand, that his music is proof against those whose batonagainst those whose natural waving is to less purpose. A uniform fast speed is not too terribly damaging to the outer movements and the Scherzo, while the third movement is thoughtful enough to provide a constant funeral march pulse to keep overbody in line. Accidents everbody in line. Accidents can really only be serious in the slow introduction to the work, as they were here, with

Brandis Quartet

Queen Elizabeth Hall

Though a wholly enchanting work, Debussy's String Quartet is somewhat backward-looking, at least in relation to what he would soon be doing. On Sunday afternoon, with-out undue emphasis on the manifestations of cyclic form derived from Cesar Franck, the Brandis Quartet did rather stress its conventional warmth and lyricism. They produced a lovely tone at all times, and showed a splendid ensemble unanimity, but I would have preferred a clearer separation of lines and more decisive phrasing. in the first movement, and again in the fugato section of the finale.

These requirements were met in the Scherzo, which was delightfully airy and insubstantial. The slow movement also exactly suited this Berlin team's style, and sounded mellifitous, touched with subtle colours; this was a beautiful, sweetly brooding piece of music making.

Haydn's Quartet Op 20 No is less elegant; and some-

some notably ill-timed cuckoos. And of course the only other thing to suffer is the vastly ranging expressive flexibility that makes this symphony, worth performing

at all.

Having heard Mr Kasprzyk
with his own Warsaw radio
orchestra, both in London
and in Poland, I was not
surprised that his demeanour was so excitable, nor that the results he obtained were so direct, but it was curious to find him communicating so little with the Philharmonia. They had trouble, too, in the other work on the programme, Stravinsky's Apollo.

gramme, Stravinsky's Apollo.
This was an odd coupling.
The only link I can think of is that both works send up the popular music of their day, but, where Mahler is dealing with raw experience of cafe music and military marches, Stravinsky sounds to have just turned the radio to have just turned the radio on. In any event, here it was all one. The Philharmonia proved themselves to have absorbed Stravinsky's rhythms as surely as Mahl-er's, and the lack of direction only caused technical probonly caused technical pro-lems — as opposed to a gated sound.

That same lack of selecmusical flatness throughout in the tricky coda.

Paul Griffiths

times fiercely contrapuntal. Here the Brandis ensemble played with resolute clarity throughout, even with a kind have sung Mahler's Songs of of rustic directness in the a Wayfarer) gave a public Minuet with its strong cross- already stimulated by his accents. Work of acute performances at Leeds and refinement and expressive on the South Bank a chance ness was done in the slow to hear who movement, a set of variof Mozart. ations, and stock was quietly taken of Haydn's structural niceties. In this movement, for example, there was the matter of the unemphatic repeat of the theme at the beginning of the last vari-ation; in the first movement the false recapitulation early in the development.

There is not, as is sometimes asserted, much of the letter or spirit of gypsy music in Haydn's finale, but the piece is full of high good humour and was thrown off with a virtuosity that augured well for what was to follow. This was Schubert's D minor quartet, whose outer movements, especially, re-ceived a performance whose stinging intensity was finely contained by a vividly com-nunicated sense of the music's overall shape and

Max Harrison

Orchestra of St John's/Lubbock

St John's

Schubert's eighth symphony seemed on Sunday not so much unfinished as without end — and without very much of a beginning or a middle come to that. Ponde-rously slow and ill-defined, its only real contrasts lying in the alternation of pompous bombast with ingratiating complacency, the performance was an inauspicious start to a cycle of Schubert symphonies that the Orchestra of St John's Smith Square will give in the course of five concert programmes in Chel-tenham, Reading and on their home ground.

Their conductor, John Lubbock, was too ready to let the warm acoustic of St John's do the work for him: instead of playing it off by sharpening incident, rigor-ously selecting and pointing theme and counter-theme, both here and in the incidental music to Rosamunde, he allowed his players to drift in and out of phrases, sinking deeper and ever more wearily into the plush of unvarie-

tion, proportion and searching attention to detail in the orchestral accompaniment of Mozart's K488 Piano Concerto did little to help Sunday right's soloist, the young French pianist Bernard d'Ascoli. Dame Janet Baker's indisposition (she was to to hear what he would make

That same thoughtful musicianship, the warm, mobile and deep-toned draw-ing out of the instrument's voice, was there; but Mr d'Ascoli seemed less at home with both the music's idiom and the building's acoustics. His tendency to hug a phrase close, to weight each note, together with the orchestra's vulgar phrasing, blurred the spare simplicity of the second movement, sufficienting its breathing and duiling the contrasting contours of its themes.

The orchestra drew itself up to make a sprightly enough reply to the Finale's rongo theme, yet neither pianist nor orchestral soloists was able to bring off quite that sense of mischief and urbane delight in each new episodic character.

Hilary Finch

Stock Exchange Prices

Good gains in gilts

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US upturn hopes dashed

The leading United States economic indicators dropped for the ninth month in a row in January, dampening hopes that what appeared to be a slight increase in the December figures signalled the beginning of economic

They also raised doubts that President Reagan's forecast of an upturn by the spring will occur.

Instead, the index of leading indicators showed a 0.6 per cent decline in January and a 0.3 per cent fall in December, according to revised estimates from the United States Commerce Department.

Burmah out of Croda battle Burmah Oil has effectively withdrawn from the £79m battle for control of Croda International. It announced yesterday that it would not be raising the terms of its offer as many in the stock market had expected. The bid will remain open until March 4 but acceptances so far have been minimal. Croda shares fell 6p to 76p.
Business Editor, Page 17

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with small businesses provid-ing industrial expansion in ing industrial expansion in essentially rural areas, according to a report published today by the Economists Advisory Group. Small business is making progess, the report says, but it is hindered by lack of capital, premises, skilled labour and individual enterpying. Other obstacles are rise. Other obstacles are deficiencies in the educational system, taxes, rates, planning restrictions and too little say for business in local govern-

Comet Radiovision has announced that Mr Paul Guy, finance director, is also to become deputy chakman. Mr Michael Hollinghery remains chairman and chief executive. Mr Edmund Pears' resignation as director has been confirmed.

• Royal Insurance, one of Britain's leading insurance companies, is raising car insurance premiums for its 550,000 holders by 6 per cent from May 1. Royal Insurance yesterday reported a small drop in pre-tax profits from £122.2m to £117.6m, Tough business, Page 16

top up at 200p, while Barclays Bank slipped to to 480p after full-year figures. In line with expectations, But losses were seen essewhere in the banking sector with Motional Westmanness down 18p at 443p and Lloyds Bank 15p off at 488p.

Hopes of a bid fitted the fruit an

vegetables wholesaler Albert Fisher 13½p to 23½p after brokers Capel-Cure bought Tyne-

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Shares of Platigram, the pen manufacturer, returned from suspension 1 ½p higher at 9 ½p after lest week's details to raise 11m through a rights issue and hews of a small acquisition.

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suspended at 450p after the suspension of the listing in

Johannesburg. There was also a line of 300,000 from Harris Queenaway on offer at 125p which wheel 4p from the price at

advanced 3p to 84p after the High Court rejected the bid from Mr Robert Holmes a Court's Bell

Group and Croda International stumped 6p to 76p after Burmah refused to increase its bid.

Amersham International, the

centre of a government inquiry over the way it was brought to

market, encountered its first bout of profit taking, sliding 5p to 188p. Neverless, the shares are

still displaying a healthy premium of 46p over test Thursday's offer

Equity turnover on February 26 was £177.013m (22,608 bar

LONDON EXCHANGE

FT All-share 317.18, up 0.29

OTHER EXCHANGES

Tokyo: Nikkel Dow Jones

Hongkong: Hang Seng index

CURRENCIES

The dollar lost early gains which followed Friday's worse

than expected money supply

figures. The pound, steadled

by the Bank's intervention, recovered after falling below

LONDON CLOSE

1,237.61 down 33.99

\$1.81 in early trading.

\$1.8215 unchanged

Index 113.5 up 0.2

\$359.75 down \$3.25

Domestic rates: Base rates 131/2

Euro-currency rates: 3-month dollar 1411/18 - 1415/16

3-month DM 10-915/16 3-month Fr.F.1515/16-1513/16

DM 2.3870 up 20 points

MONEY MARKETS

3-mth interbank 141/4 -1315/46

DM 4.3475

FrF 11.0825

Yen 433.50

Index 91.1 unchanged

7,327.44

FT Index 550.8, up 3.5

FT Gilts 66.91, up 0.52

Bargains 22,518

average

113.02

MARKET SUMMARY

Cautious opening to account

Gill and Duffus, the troubled Internatinal cornodity broker, which hit the headlines last week after after downgrading last yeer's profile of £16m by up to £4m, silpett 3p to 140p.

The City believes there is still worse to come and the £500,000 written off for losses in tin trading may prove to be on the consensative side. But having lost 36p in the last three trading days there is growing speculation among dealers that the group may soon be the target of a bid. The batence sheet remains healthy and the prospects for overseas traders to pick up one of the few public British compa-nies to trade on the LOndon Metal Exchange has its attractions. The shares are not expected to fall

much farther and some genuine support is reckoned to be round the corner.
The trouble of Smith St Aubyn, which earlier this year announced git trading losses of around 220m, show signs of receding. Its recent attempt to raise£2.7m by way of a rights issue to help

out was well received by shareholders. Of the 8.68m extra shares issued around 98 per cent were taken up. So it was left to brokers Hoars Govett to place the rump of the 160,000 shares with insti-

tutions yesterday.

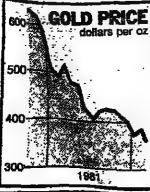
The rest of the equity market beened the new account on a Cautious note worried buy the possibility of a tough deflationary Budget from the Chanceffor next

However, a raily by the pound and further indicators from the money market of yet another easing of interest rates saw an The FT Index closed at its high for the day 3.5 up at 550.8, after opening 1.8 down at 10 am. Gilts produced further rises of UD

to £% in thin trade also buoyed by the hope of a fall in interest Sentiment was helped by some impressive profits from Fisons,

COMMODITIES

The pride of gold sank to its lowest fixing level since September 1979 in London yesterday morning, when it fetched \$358.75 an ounce, against Friday's close of \$363. Despite a brief rally in the afternoon the metal finished trading only \$1 higher at \$359.75, down \$3.25 from Friday. There is no sing of an end to gold's decline, which began several months ago. High American interest rates and a strong dolar continue to depress sentiment. Some experts believe the price could fall to \$350 or lower



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TODAY

overcapacity.
The Northern Ireland Minister of State, Mr Adam Butler, is understood to have offered further short-term aid to the owners, after the £1½m provided last year, but the offer was rejected.

The Antrim plant is be-

efficiency and productivity have been made but were insufficient to save the plant in the face of the continuing

recession and gross world

hand it over free to Stor-mont's Department of Com-merce. The Government decline the offer when consult-

ability.

The final decision to close was announced by Ejnka yesterday in a list of other cutbacks throughout the group totalling 4,000 jobs. Little more than a year

ago, 2,000 people were

Judges put ACC on open market

Three Court of Appeal indges effectively put Lord Grade's former company, But Associated Communications Corporation, on the open market to the highest bidder yesterday.

They said that Lord Grade's agreement to sell his shares and the other ACC directors' promise to accept a £36m bid from the Australian

Three Court of Appeal indges effectively put Lord Grade's former company. But Heron was offering 90p a share bid while Heron was offering 90p a share.

The judgment says that the ACC board's good faith had not been impugned. The iman attempt to unwind the directors genuinely believed that it was in the best shareholders and the other ACC own bid to be considered by all the shareholders.

Lord Justice Templeman possible price is obtained. So directors' promise to accept a all the shareholders.

236m bid from the Australian Lord Justice Lawt
financier Mr Robert Holmes ting with Lord Justice

all the shareholders.

Lord Justice Lawton, sixting with Lord Justice Temlaman and Lord Justice have discovered in the cuplaman and Lord Justice

a Court had breached the companies articles of association and were void. But the directors had not breached their judgment after the nine-day hearing of Mr coepting the Rolmes a Court bid after a 17-bour board meeting on January 13.

That agreement with Mr Holmes a Court skeletons, he valued ACC at farm and chief executive of ACC at farm on obligated as chairman and chief executive with every opporting to discover more skeletons, he valued ACC at farm obligated as chairman and chief executive with every opporting on shareholders.

Mr Holmes a Court might said: "I am meeting the Bell s20p for the voters and a group tomorrow. My first duty will be as chairman and chief executive of ACC and in the cupber of the nine-day hearing of Mr the nine

The £140m maritime com-nunication satellite

munication satellite
MARECS A officially became

maked A officially became part of the International Maritime Satellite Organisation (INMARSAT) system yesterday, but not without problems. A technical hiccup over the weekend prevented

Car workers

From Bailey Morris, Washington, March 1

Company have approved overwhelmingly an agree-

ment which trades wages and benefits for assurances of job security.

The agreement, which is

effective from tomorrow, could save the company

\$1,000m in its 30 months of

life, according to Mr Douglas Fraser, President of the

United Automobile Workers

Workers at the Ford Motor

trade pay

Australia, Mr Holmes à Court

Holmes a Court's Bell Group ed in forcing on shareholders £46.5m in a second offer, ACC to see that the best controls 51 per cent of ACC

ACC declined to comment two alternatives: withdraw on the judgment last night, both its takeover bids — an but from his home in Perth, unconditional offer worth 66p for the non-voters and



Top BL executive

By Edward Townsend, adustrial Correspondent

prised yesterday at the decision of Mr Tony Ball, their most senior sales executive. to leave the company when his contract expires in the

Mr Ball, who is 47, is chairman and managing directors of BL Cars world sales operation and was respon sible for the successful launch of the Metro and the

Triumph Acclaim.

A former Austin apprentice, Mr Ball was brought to BL by Sir Michael Edwardes, the chairman, four years ago, and one of his tasks was to create a new motivation among the comany's demora-

His departue adds to the changes at the top of BL that will be taking place this year. The Government will soon be searching for a successor to

that he did not wish to renew

that he did not wish to renew his contract was clearly unexpected at BL. It was described by a spokesman only as "a case of him wanting a new challenge".

Mr Ball said: "Four years ago few people would have given BL a chance. Now, with the positive action we have taken and new products coming through virtually every month, the company has a bright future.

"it has been a tremendous

considered his style of management to be no longer needed at BL. It is understood that he has no definite plans for the future.

a shop floor apprentice at Austin in Birmingham and later became the company's youngest sales manager. He was given the task of launching the Mini in 1959.

TELECOM URGED TO EXPAND

turing in Britain throu formation of a subsidiary. through British Telecom does not manufacture telecommunications equipment on any scale but nearly £100m worth of modifications and repairs

are done each year by 4,000 staff at seven factories in London, Birmingham, London, Birming Cwmcarn and Edinbugh.

by the Bell Laboratories of AT & T and is likely to be tha model for expansion.

British Telecom has research facilities at Martlesham Heath, near lpswich and has formed a subsediary

called Martlesham Enterprises in partnership with four City institutions to exploit the by-products.
Plessey, GEC, Mitel, STC,
TMC and others supply

is enough growth in telecom-munications to accomodate an expanded corporation without these suppliers suffering. Telecommunications equipment, if able to compete with the Japanese and the American products in quality, has substantial export potential.

Ulster plant to close with loss of 850 jobs

By Robert Rodwell

The largest remaining the largest concentration of

The largest remaining the largest concentration of plant in what was once fibre plants in Western Northern Ireland's huge Europe.

Northern Ireland's huge Europe.

Those already closed in the close within four weeks with the loss of thousands of jobs include past 18 months with the loss of thousands of jobs include of thousands of jobs include Du Pont's orlon plant at ester factory at Antrim, Londonderry, ICI's hylon making only carpet yarns, is to go after operating under a carrier factories at to go after operating under a carrier factories at to go after operating under a carrier factories at to go after operating under a carrier factories at to go after operating under a carrier factories at to go after operating under a carrier factories at to go after operating under a carrier factories at the control of a closure decision facility near Derry.

made last August by its parent the Dutch Enka | Northern Ireland Secgroup. In that time substantial improvements in terday firmly rejected a sefficiency and productivity suggestion that the Government and its agencies should ment and its agencies should forgo their priority as prefer-ential creditors of and deben-ture holders in De Lorean Motor Cars to enable unsecured commercial creditors

to obtain payment of out-standing debts.

He also told a deputation representing 158 Northern Ireland companies who col-lectively are owed more than The Antrim plant is believed to have lost about could not give guarantees to £20m in the last three years. Last August, Enka offered to hand it over free to Storper cent of the debts owed by mout's Department of Comfor security

reditors. Mr Jack Fetherston, presiants said it could take at least dent of Northern Ireland three years to achieve viability.

The final decision to close was announced by Einka the Official Unionist Party, Mr James Molyneaux.

Among creditors who have identified themselves publicly as being distressed by the company's failure to pay for of a planned 530m five-year ched jointly by the Northern modernization programme. Ireland Development Agency, Now only two smaller fibre and the Northampton-based factories, Monsanto at Cole-Chamberlain-Phipps group. raine and Ho uchst at Limavady, both in Co Londonderry, remain in Northern Ireland of what was once West Belfast.

Banks near solution to Romania's debt

By Peter Wilson-Smith, Banking Correspondent

between eight Western banks and Romanian banking offi-cials in Frankfurt is believed to have yielded broad agreement in principle on resche-duling part of Romania's

duling part of Romania's hard currency debts. These are estimated at more than \$10,000m (F5.494m).

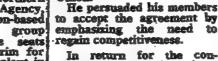
The rescheduling terms discussed last week, which are thought to be acceptable to the Romanians, are not expected to be as long as those on offer to Poland and are likely to involve the placing of short-term credits on longer maturities and the Michael Clark on longer maturities and the rescheduling of elements of

medium term debt due this

Romania's debt could soon set up to handle negotiations be sorted out London bankwith Romania and other bank ers say. Last week's meeting creditors beyond the eight at between eight Western banks last week's meeting will now and Romanian banking officers. on developments.
But an indication of the

optimism came yesterday from Barclays Bank Inter-national, which was represented at last week's meet ing. "I would hope that during the first half of this year we would see satisfac-tory arrangements conclud-ed", Mr Peter Leslie, senior general manager, said.

In contrast attempts to reschedule Poland's debt are still being dragged out by the Poles' failure to settle 1981. interest payments. Signing of the 1981 rescheduling is year. certain to be delayed beyond
A task force has yet to be the March 4 target date.



In return for the concessions, workers have been promised a two-year freeze on plant closures, linked to work performed by outside suppliers, in addition to a new profit-charing plan and a guaranteed income until retirement for workers laid off after 15 or more years

Experience.

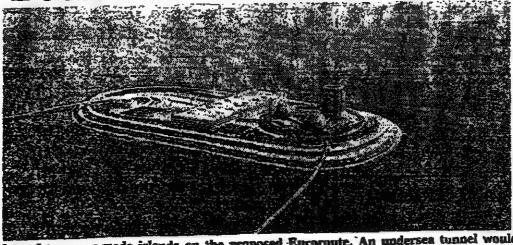
The workers forgo their traditional, annual wage in-creases and six days of their holiday. Nine months' worth of cost-of-living increases will be deferred though not

The overwhelming support for the agreement increases the likelihood of renewed talks between General Motors Corporation and the union, which failed to agree new conditions in January because of opposition to wage and benefit concessions demanded by the company.

Since theu, the company has announced plans to close seven plants, five of them permanently. It has also said it is negotiating for a new model to be produced in Japan instead of America.

McAlpine consortium backs Euroroute

Boost for BSC tunnel scheme



One of two man-made islands on the proposed Euroroute. An undersea tunnel would run between them, and they would be linked with the mainland by bridge. By Our Transport Correspondent

British Steel's huge Euroroute bridge and tunnel scheme across the Channel received an important boost ed by McAlpine agreed to government negotiations.

Hongkong mass transit sys-tem to their credit.

yesterday when a leading been considered a back change on both sides of the civil engineering group head runner in Anglo-French Channel in favour of it."

With Mowlem, French Kier view.

We see this as the scheme attractive, forward-looking scheme, and the best choice for the twenty-first century for Britain and Europe. Governments would be affected in the twentieth," Reg Clare, the twentieth, Reg Clare, the twentieth, Reg Clare, the twentieth, WcAlpine's project director, but in the view of merchant bankers the big road traffic content would make it easier in the transit of their credit.

At a cost of £3,800m, about artificial offshore island at five times that of British heavy cost it was considered grandoise; but since then we have detected a noticeable change on both sides of the The group was backing it

But that is not McAlpine's because it considered it an

Vosper pays £43m dividend to BS By Peter Hill, Industrial Editor

the satellite going into full transferred to it on Saturday.

operation yesterday and a Further tests need to be scheduled inaugural telemade within the next few

phone call could not be made. days before the transfer can be completed. MAREC A, which was launched in December, was to have the telecommunications traffic on the satellite MARI-SAT, launched in 1976,

Vosper Thornycroft, the warship builder which is European Commission on under threat of further restructuring because of defence cuts, paid a dividend of £43m to British Shipbuilders, the parent state company last year, it was disclosed yesterday.

The South Coast company, which derived the bulk of its

Hiccup for maritime satellite

which derived the bulk of its compensation terms for the profit before nationalization nationalization of their airfrom exports, recorded a craft interests. The compatrading profit last year of nies expect to learn within 68.4m. But that figure, in the next few days whether childed in British Ship, the commission will grant the cluded in British Ship- the commission will grant the builders accounts, consider- Government a further extenably understated overall prosion to submit observations.

If the commission approves

Separate accounts showed the extension, observations that total profits before tax are likely to be submitted by last year were £24.4m, includering £16m in interest payments received. The previous have a further two months to year, pre-tax profits were comment on the Govern-

The financial performance of the company following nationalization is expected to be used by the company's former owners in the con-tinuing legal battle with the Government over the terms of compenstion to

or compensuon to

Vosper is among half a the situation was grossly dozen shipbuilding companies challenging the level of not prepared to amend the payments through an action Act.

ment's submission. There Conservative Party fiercely opposed Labour's nationalization legislation for the shipbuilding and aircraft industries. Subsequently, in August 1980, Sir Keith Joseph, the Secretary for Industry, said that although

Japan appeals to EEC over trade ban move From Peter Hazelhurst, Tokyo, Mar 1

United States Congress from barriers.

introducing restrictive trade laws based on reciprocity.

The request was presented to Mr Leo Tindemans, president of the EEC's Council of Ministers, in Tokyo today, lation on the principle that when he met Mr Shitaro Abe, any restriction in trade could Japan's Minister for International Trade and Industry

MITT to discuss trade support legislation "aimed at Western Europe.

But while Mr Tindemans is

reported to be sympathetic, he is said to have warned Japan of growing disquiet about Japanese trade with

"reciprocal" restrictions Europe.

Japan has asked the Euro- against Japanese exports to pean Community to help in force Japan to remove non-its attempts to dissuade the tariff and other trade

(MITI), to discuss trade support legislation "aimed at frictions beween Japan and western Europe.

But while Mr Tindemans is Eut the EEC leader went

on to warn Japan that a growing demand for restrictive trade measures in Western Europe could under-Europe. mine the free trade system In essence hard-liners in unless Japan takes substanthe United States Congress tial steps to redress its are attempting to introduce lopsided trade surplus with



to leave

BL directors were sur-

lized car dealers.

Searthing for a successor to Sir Michael, who confirmed recently that he would be leaving the company in November. Mr Ball's announcement

"ir has been a tremendous challenge and a rewarding experience to be a member of Sir Michael's team."

Mr Ball gave no reason for leaving the £40,000-a-year job but it is thought that he

British Telecom will be encouraged by the Govern-ment to expand its manufac-

Western Electric, the manufacturing arm of American Telephone & Telegraph exploits the discoveries made

British Telecom but it is generally believed that there

DRAKE SCULL

Drake & Scull Holdings **Public Limited Company**

A Year of Growth Pre-tax Profits up by 65% to a record of £3,596,000.

Total Ordinary Dividend increased to 3p per share. Net cash balance reaches a record £6,000,000. "Excellent cash generation was achieved which reflects the tight financial control essential for a business operating in the construction industry internationally." - Sir Monty Finniston, Chairman.

Summary of Results	Year ended 31st October 1981 £000	Year ended 31st October 1980 £000
Turnover	115,3;4	94,701
Profit before taxation	3,596	2,169
Profit attributable to Ordinary Shareholders	1,375	2,530
Earnings per Ordinary Share:	pence	pencs
Before Extraordinary Items	10.4	6.2
After Extraordinary Items	7.5	13.8
Dividends per share	3.00	2.75

The company's Acoust General Meeting will be held at The Church'll. Paraman Square, London W1H 0AJ at 12 Hoon on Westnesday 24th Merch 1882.

The blooming of Fisons . . . the joy of Extel

Goodbye to fertilizer, hello to boom

Fisons is looking a real winner. The management's problem must be that everything it is doing enhances the groups attractions in the eyes of potential bidders Sally White writes. Yesterday, Fisons announced profits of £9.3m, about 15 per cent above the hopes of the most optimistic brokers. This was just a month after it had negotiated the sale of its troubled fertiliser division to Norsk Hydro for £50m.

The pretax of £9.3m compared with £3.8m last year. Sales are £494.4 against £453.7m. The final dividend is 8.5p gross, making an unchanged 14.2p gross for the full year. Earnings per share are up from nil to 10.3p.

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That news and the picture of present trading given to assembled brokers' analysts, has raised expectations to £18m pretax for 1982 and £23m for 1983. Earnings per share on a fully taxed basis on these figures would be 24p and 32p, and the per 10.6 and 3. "That is hardly a demanding rating compared to other companies in the pharmaceutical sector — I would not see them sector — I would not see them going as far as Beechams, but I might see perhaps 13 or 14 times."
Mr Christopher Clark at Scrimgeour, Kemp-Gee said.

ROYAL INSURANCE

Overseas business gets tough

After last week's better than expected results from Commercial Union, it was the turn yesterday of the other large composite insurer to produce results at the top end of market forecasts. end of market forecasts.

Against estimates pitched a good £10m lower after a disappointing third quarter, Royal Insurance has managed to hold the fall in pretax profits to below 4 per

cent at £117.6m. In common with the rest of the world insurance industry. Royal has found the going tough in its main areas of operation, especially in Canada and Australia.

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The the first time ever with a major insurer, Royal has changed the format of its results to provide share-holders with a clearer idea of the return from its general insurance operations by splitting out income from surance operations and that which is more properly a return on capital in the

This information is already used inside composites for commercial decisions on underwriting business and Royal is now making this available to investors at

large.
In changing the accounting ment now, Royal chairman Mr Daniel Meinertzhagen is highlighting the different problems it is facing in its main operating areas. In the United States, despite a more than doubled underwriting loss of £32.1m, the general insurance profit was un-altered at £28m but in Canada and Australia sharply higher underwriting losses still lead to an overall loss of £27.8m and £17.1m respectively.

Royal is still reasonably relaxed about its United States operations eyen though the current year will deteriorate. The group is picking up market share, the operating ratio of 104 per cent above average and the geigraphical spread improv-

In Canada Royal has taken stern remedial action with rate rises of almost a half last year and cutting out of unprofitable lines which has hit market share. The hope now is for continued recovery in Canada and Australia as rate increases work through and it is mainly this loss elimination which has led to the board's confident forecast of a better outturn in 1982.

Royal had a satisfactory year in the United Kingdom with premium income 15 per cent ahead. But the bad weather caused an escalation in claims with December's weather losses three times

BIDS AND DEALS

10 per cent.

Pritchard Services Group yesterday amounced it had completed acquisition of the Sheffield-based Arrow Securities. Purchase price was £215,000.

ITTAC vesterdat said that its

nacional and will remain open until June 2. This tollows acceptances in respect of more than 95 per cent of the deferred and ordinary shares in Radiovisor

Java) wholly-owned subsidiary of Louisana Land and Exploration

So, could Fisons be at 300p to 366p?

Fisons is already being rerated. The shares have been chased up from 180p before the Norsk Hyrdo announcement to a close of 255p after the profit improvement yesterday. But no institution has more than 3 per cent, and the recovery funds have only just started to buy.

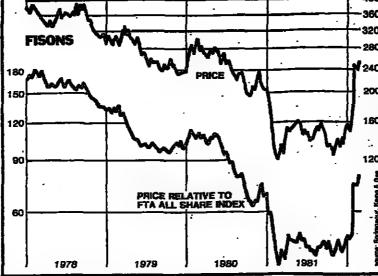
"I think the fact that we could sell the fertiliser side to anyone impressed people," Mr John Kerridge chief executive, said. Incidently, the trading in that division has been turned round from a loss of £1.1m to a profit of

from a loss of £1.1m to a profit of £800,000 — still not enough to make it a viable growth business for Fison. Shorn of that discouragement to any bidder Fisons are vulnerable to a bid from Bayer, or an United States major.

an United States major.
Extraordinary items total £18.7m, include the closures and redundancies in the scientific equipment divisions, and one would think everything else possible to clear the decks.

Cost saving, strict cash management and aggressive management are the main ingredients quoted by Mr J. Kerridge to account for the improvements. Now Fisons is in 1982 with its net assets per share about 300, and interest charges likely to be only £3m to £4m this year.

More than 60 per cent of Fisons' profits arise overseas. In the scientific equipment business Fisons act as wholesaler for a number of companies, selling



New products are coming through, which the group will announce later. Anti-inflammatory, vasolilatory and skin treatment areas are on the list of

year of information technology, is Extel Group with its news agency, printing, advertizing and telecommunications businesses, Drew

Since the market shake-out last

the sale or closure of 12 of

the sale or closure of 12 of its 14 branches.

Seven are being closed with the loss of 400 jobs. A further five are being sold but will continue trading, protecting most of the jobs at these branches. Three will be bought by MaCarthys Pharmaceuticals for £1.5m cash.

This leaves the two branches in Northern Ireland as Sans-

in Northern Ireland as Sang-

ers' only remaining pharma-ceutical interests. The charg-

. Mr. George Robinson, chairman, said it had become

necessary to stem losses in the pharmaceuticals division

but said it was too early to say where the proceeds would be reinvested.

Much of the interests in are ex the group had centred on the today.

es will generate about £2m.

capitalization is £33.6m.
Figures are due in May, the year end is March, and the market is looking for an improvement in pretax profits from £3.5m to about £4.5m.

The market likes Extel's policy

of cautious expansion. The shares are tightly held with about 70 institutions owning about 70 per cent as strategic long-term hold-

Extel pleased them with a move into microcomputers 15 months ago through a 60 per cent investment in Digital Microsystems of California. It paid £1m for its stake and, according to Mr Alan Brooker, chairman and chief executive, expects to make further investment in this business. There are plans to service the United Kingdom and European markets from a Thames Valley manufacturing plant by this time next

Other activities in the group's broad spread of related interests have also been doing reasonable

business over the past year—
enough, some analysts believe, to
attract potential bidders.
"We don't have a principal
interst. That way we marticular

interst. That way we minimize dependence on any particular area", Mr Brooker says.

Extel's printing division specializes in City work, and produced, for example, the Cable and Wireless offer-for-sale document. The Royds advertising subsidi-

Mr Robinson doubted whether he would launch a full bid at present.

for major British and overe-

autumn, the share price has swept upwards from 210p to 270p. The rating is just short of 14 and the yield is 4.2 per cent. Market recruitment advertising. A profits recruitment advertising. A profits recovery to £700,000 is expected this year on improvement in the consumer advertising side.

Profitability may also be about to fall at Robophone, which makes and sells telephone answering systems. Analysts argue that the

systems. Analysts argue that the profits growth here may have run out of impetus because of the rise in cheap imports.

No dramatic growth is expected in the sporting and financial news services. Several refinements of the service, such as Extel-PA Show, which visually displays racing information in betting shops, have been introduced. The company has also halted sports information to Prestel.

Mr Booker, who joined Extel

Mr Booker, who joined Extel more than 20 years ago as assistant accountant and became chairman and chief executive in July 1980, is aggressive about rther expansion. "We're looking hard in severa

directions, primarily at related activities in the United Kingdom and the United States, but we're not near a decision yet', he says. Last July, the company raised f4.2m through a one-for-four rights issue to strengthen the balance sheet and set the stage for further acquistion-led growth.

"There's an element of oppor-runism in prospecting for acqui-sition," Mr Brooker says.
"We've looked at plenty of companies, but only spoken to a few."

up by Bermuda-based financier Mr Tom Whyte and his apparent attempts to gain

£4m buyout

control of the company. He was in Forida yesterday and unavailable for comment but A management buyout has been completed by M. J. H. Nightingale's Over-the-Nightingale's Over-the-Counter market to enable CCL Group to purchase a group of companies trading as CCL Systems from Foseco Minsep.

Sangers retains it photographic and optical interests plus Sangers Agencies and Castlereagh Agencies. The agencies sell and distribute Minsep.
Foseco agreed to the sale, for f4m, because CCL's activities increasingly fall outside its own mainstream interests in the supply of specialist chemicals. CCL is the new holding company covering four main divisions—civil engineering, construction materials, wire Sangers lost just over £1m in the half-year to August, despite the pharmaceuticals business increasing its mar-ket share and holding its losses at the previous year's struction materials, wire rope swaging, and electrical.

The branches to be closed The branches to be closed are at Brighton, Llandudno, Bournemouth, Bedford and Truro to extend operations into Devon, Cornwall and Somerset. It will also aquire stock from the branches at Brighton and Bedford for up to 5700 m000 Branches are Foseco has received £3.3m in consideration and £700,000 from interim dividends. Fose co has also agreed to lend CCL Group £700,000 at a reduced rate of interest repayable in 1987 and 1988. to £700,m000. Branches are also being sold at Reading and Maidstone.

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Sangers' shares were suspended on Friday at 46p and are expected to be re-quoted today.

Pretax profits in 1977 were 2309,000 and estimates for 1981 are £825,000 on turnover of £9.9m. Trading starts today.

INTERNATIONAL

JAPAN

Japan's production of videotape recorders totalled 828,000 units in January, up 85.8 per cent from January 1981. Exports to the European Community as a whole surged by 175.3 per cent to 294,000 units, while exports to the United Kingdom rose by 257.1 per cent to 124,000 units.

• The pace of recovery in Japan's corporate earnings could slow to 14.2 per cent in the second half of the fiscal year from a previous expec-tation of 42 per cent because of recession in the United States and Europe in industries such as cars and electric goods, according to a survey of 865 companies conducted by the business newspaper Nihon Keizai.

China's trade topped \$48,000m (E21,000m) for the first time last year, as exports rose 23 per cent. About 70 per cent of the export business was with Japan, the United States, Hongkong, West Germany, the Soviet Union and Yugos-lavia.

SAUDI ARABIA

The Italian state-owned Efim group has signed a \$300m (£165m) contract with Saudi Arabia to supply 200 M113-type armoured personnel carriers. The tracked vehicles will be equipped with American-made emerson with American-made emerson anti-tunk missiles.

Saudi Arabia boosted its exports by 12 per cent last year to 405,000m riyals (£63,800m) while imports rose by 19 per cent to 119,000m riyals (£18,740m), the Finance Ministry said.

HOLLAND

Gulf Oil plans to close its Europeort chemicals plant in Rotterdam by April 1 because of overcapacity in the industry. The company's oil re-fining activities would not be affected, a company spokes-man said.

AUSTRALIA

The Australian Government is planning to borrow the equivalent of between A \$300m (£176m) and A \$350m on the Swiss capital market to bolster its foreign cur-rency reserves, which has been falling.

products as well as turn-key projects. Horticulture is being expanded overseas, after acquisitions in France and Canada. Pharmaceuticals look attractive for the long-term. Mr Clark says the company is likely to be more active in licensing to secure good are "electronics" and "communiproduct exchanges and wider, cations". One company that has faster margins.

potentials.

transformers were worst hit Mr Alfred Singer, chair-man of WVF, said that the with profits sliced to £242,000 against £856,000 on turnover static at £12m. The chemicals group's performance during the year had been good, given the problems of BL. division, despite a good performance from its new formaldehyde plant, saw profits down to £363,000 from £446,000. A fall in profits from £423,000 to £277,000 from industrial pro-SANGERS GROUP **Branches Close** Sangers Group has drasti-cally cut its loss-making pharmaceutical interests with

tective equipment is blamed on unemployment levels, The final gross dividend is being held at 4.29p making an unchanged gross of 8.57p and the group's shares fell 5p to 112p yesterday.

WVF

Returns fall

Wholesale Vehicle Finance (WVF), which provides stock finance for British distribu-tors of BL Cars, made an operating profit of £3.17m in the year to December, against £3.50m.

The average rate of return on the total funds subscribed by the shareholders, largest of which is the National Enterprise Board with a 75 per cent stake, was 20 per cent, - 2 per cent lower than

cant, - 2 per cent lower than the previous year.

Despite BL increasing its market share for the first time since 1974, with its share of the United Kingdom market rising from 18.2 per cent to 19.2 per cent, the dealer network suffered a difficult year through price comperition and the high cost of money. cost of money.

WVF gave concesions to the network in September 1981, yielding an overall saving equivalent to a re-WVF charge, This averaged 15.6 per cent for the yea, against 18.4 per cent, and was 1.3 per cent above the Finance Houses Average Base Rate.

bottom of the underwriting caused by exceptional weath-cycle which together with a 5 per cent rise in the dividend to 36.1 gross helped the shares gain 12p to 363p. Distributors profits for the year amount to £2.37m against £2.74m, and dividend er share is unchanged at

After a rather bad first half in 1981, with profits down to £928,000, Blagden Besides the NEB, the other shareholders in WVF are the expected an upsurge in the second half which failed to Funds. Post Office Staff materialise. In turnover terms volume was down in Superannuation Fund United Doninions Trust with 81/2 per cent each.

A new subsidiary, WVF Commercial, started operations in June, 1981 funding commercial vehicles for British distributors of Leyland vehicles, and had an operating profit of £142,000 for the six months of operation.

the chemical industry with ICI its largest customers increased profits to £1.68m against £1.3m. Much of the Distributors have gradually been brought on to the scheme, but progress has been slower than expected through from cost-savings scheme, but progress has carried out in 1980 but been slower than expected margins are still being due to the depressed state of margins are still being due to the depressed state of squeezed.

But plastic mouldings and market.

round. Despite particularly bad results for January, LATEST RESULTS

BLAGDEN & NOAKS

Profits have slumped again at Blagden & Noaks which, with its spread of chemicals, plastics to steel drum inter-

ests, is often regarded as one of the more representative

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demand is picking up. Profits in the region of 20 to 30 per cent ahead are within sight.

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C. Itoh and Co one of Japan's largest trading houses, plans to establish a company in London to specialize in trading crude oil and specialize in trading crude oil and oil products, a company spokesman said in Tokyo yesterday. The new company forms part of C. Itoh's strategy of boosting its third-country sales of petroleum goods to a targetted 30 per cent of its cost oil dealings from the current total oil dealings, from the current

UTAC yesterdat said that its offer announced on Fabruary 5, to acquire all the Issued capital of Tadiovisor Parent has become

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Mr Daniel Meinertzhagen, chairman of Royal Insurance

Last year, when pretax profits were clipped back to 22m against £2.6m the group ditioning drums and casks to

Pertamina, the State -owned oil company of Indonesia, calling for LL and E Indonesia and a subsidiary of Getty Oil to jointly conduct exploration work on a 2,291,890-acre block in the northern portion of the Indian Ocean, offshore south Java. The agreement, under which LL and E Indonesia will be operator, requires an extensive seismic work over the initial two years of the six-year exploration programme.

The receiver of L. B. Holliday and Company Mr Peter Copp. of and Company Mr Peter Copp, of Stoy Haywood, yesterday anounced that the business has been sold as a going concern to a Jersey-based consortium headed by Mr Terry Brain. Holliday, Huddersfield maker of dyestuffs and Intermediate products, went into receivership last October. The company has continued trading during receivership and rationalization carried out by the receiver has reduced the workforce from 450 to 320. Despite difficult 450 to 320. Despite difficult trading conditions sales have been maintained at an annual rate of about £9m and, United Kingdom sales in particular have held up well. The purchasers have acquired all assets at Huddersheld

CAPITAL MARKETS

Ferrovie Dello Stato, is raising Dm150m through a five-year bullet Eurobond lead managed by Commerzbank AG, bond market

commerzoamk AG, bond market sources said.

The issue carries an indicated coupon of 10½ per cent with open pricing. Market conditions indicate an issue price of 99% per cent. Final conditions are expected to be set on March 10. Mexico is floating Fr100m of five-year notes on the Swiss capital market for private placement, market sources said.
The coupon of the builet issue was set at 8½ per cent and issue price at par by lead manager Union Bank of Switzerland.

The Swiss Government has privately placed Fr55m of 515 per cart, five-year notes at par, banking sources sait. The bullet issue renews a maturing six-year

Murata Manufacturing Com-pany's Dm50m convertible Euro-bond has been postponed, lead manager Bayeriache Voreinsbank

Postponement of the eight-year bond, on which final terms were to sharp fall in the company share price since the issue's launch on February 18, Bayerische Vereinsbank said.

WEST GERMANY

West Germany's Index of Import Prices (1976 equals 100) stood at 144.4 in January, up 0.8 per cent from December and up 6.9 per cent from January last year. The 6.9 per cent import price rise was the lowest year-to-year increase in a month since March 1979.

BELGIUM

EEC prices rose by 1 per cent in January and were 12.5 per cent higher than in 1981, the statistical agencies in Brussels said. Inflation in the 10 member countries picked up from December's rate of 8.7 per cent but was rate of 8.7 per cent but was virtually the same as in the

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Cyprus is so British -Panayides

What I like about people who want our money is that they are so British. Take the Greek part of Cyprus. Yester-day the Cyprus Trade Centre helped by the London Chamber of Commerce told us how like us they were. Their law "widely spoken". The cur-rency is based on the pound. Their accountants and lawyers are English trained. They do more business with ms (wines, grapes, potatoes, and so on) than with anyone

Panayides, the Cyprus High Commissioner wants more English money and knowhow. Cyprus is a tax haven (brass plate companies pay only 4.25 per cent tax) and it is apparently an economical place to set up business, tax wise, if you wish to penetrate the Middle East Larnac has an industrial free zone.

However, of 1200 enterp

reses in Greek Cyprus, only 200 are British. The Cypriots hope that this reflects our exchange control (until re-cently) rather than anything else. But do not expect amazing tourist package deals. Cyprus does not have the hotels, or indeed the inclination to accommodate "down market" holiday

accounts form much the largest part of Opec foreign The only Ex British Greek exchange earnings, and since prices for commodities other Cypriot businessman of conseque in this country that know of is Mr Reo Stakis of for 20 years, the outlook is the lesisure group of that name. He will not be speaking tomorrow at the London Chamber of Commerce con-ference. I do not know why.

Sir Michael Edwards, chairman of BL, appears no longer to need the flamboyant services of Tony Ball, the super salesman he appointed four years ago to breathe life into the company's international marketing operation but who has now decided to quit.

Ball, noted for the excel-ence of his after-dinner. speaking has performed his task at BL admirably but he does not fit in any more with the new, steadier, less ag-gressive BL corporate market-

ing image. Ex-Ford man Trevor Taylor, Ball's second in command who is tipped as his successor, has the distinction of being the only executive whom Sir Terence Beckett, when chairman of Ford of Britain, said he would re-employ. Usually, those who leave Ford are destined never to return.



"Ere Elsie. According to the DoE, we married women only work to provide the luxuries of

The Churchill of crime

Monica de Hellerman is trying to make crime pay always been powerful sales to the "board", in this case weapons. Last week the 92 the League chairmen. nizers like her. Miss de Hellerman, an American, is organizing a symposium here in London at the Churchill Hotel (March 11 to 13) on

Crime in Business.

Her speciality is in having the people who commit, investigate or prosecute crime to address delegates at this kind of conference. In this instance Miss de Hellerman is promising a videotape of alleged KGB defector Kaarlo Tuomi discussing the emotional, playing heavily on this season — should bring the excitement and atmosphere of actually being at a back spectators and improve the financial viability of the ways in which his former employers pinch American and British business secrets.

France's Communist Transport Minister Charles Fiterman is facing similar prob-lems on Paris transport fares as the GLC's Ken Livingstone has on London's bus and tube fares. But whereas Livingstone wanted the fares to be subsidized by rate-payers Piterman looked to employers. raeman looked to employers.
The project has been killed—
not by France's legal equivalent of the House of Lords,
the Conseil Constitutional—
but by France Minister Pierre
Mauron who does not want to
raise indistry's costs.

Peter Wainwright

APPOINTMENTS

Mr Philip Petro has been appointed group secretary of Barclays Bank, in secretarion to the late Mr Douglas Jehnson. Mr David Martik 4 local director of Barclays Bank's Manchester district, has been appointed a Caribbean director at Barcleys Bank International's Carribean head office

Mr Edward D Collins has

Opec's surpluses are dropping fast. Michael Prest examines the financial implications

Recycling oil funds — the rules of the game start to change

the world financial markets primary concerns has been "recycling" - the - current account surplus of the Or-ganisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries. But there is now widespread speculation that the days of recycling are over. As Opec surpluses are depressed by falling oil prices the 1980s look very different from the 1970s. There is little doubt about the figures. On any reasonable estimate last year's collective Opec surplus was well below the record \$126,000m accumulated in 1980, and this year could well see it further reduced by a half to \$35,000m. At that level the surplus is the same in cash terms as it was in 1975, the first full year of greatly increased oil prices, but over the intervening

> Clerks at the Saudi Investment Bank, Jeddah: Arab banks will take an increasing role in recycling surplus cash built on the sale of oil

The prospect, therfore, is of a small surplus, concentrated in a handful of countries. "Recycling" will not stop, but the scope of the exercise will be diminished. Critically, the massive redistribution of income which characterised the middle years of the 1970s will be

have shifted against Opec, possibly for the first time since 1974. The cost of imports continues to be replaced by handful of countries with payments surplusforced up remorselessly by tries with payments surplus-milation in industrial coun-es—a common enough state tries, while oil prices fail. It of affairs. By the same token, however, it will be may be that over several years reduced oil prices will much harder to blame curalso cool inflation, but in the rency instability on oil prices and Opec surpluses.
On this logic, the financial system will be saved from the

meantime Opec members will have to borrow, as Libya did last year, or dig into their reserves built up during the uncertainty caused by powerful flows of "hot" money. In one respect at least bankers As the table shows, eight of the 13 Opec members have only small foreign exchange will return to more recognizable territory: the cash which would have passed to reserves, measured either absolutely or relative to their needs. The four Arabian oil exporters, back to west-ern and Japanese financial institutions, and out agin, will in part skip the first members and Libys, by contrast, enjoy a felicitous combination of high oil production, and small popu-To that extent the world financial system will be a little simpler.

ations.

The implication is that the But the banking business first five in the table will contribute most, if not all of the Opec surplus this year. marches on. The urony is that Opec members faced with balance of payments deficits could well resort to and possibly into the mid-1980s. Even if Saudi Arabia, borrowing from those same banks which only a year or by far the biggest exporter two before were competing for their deposits. Some of e carner. does cut its crude production from 8.5 million barrels a day, Opec collectively is unlikely to go into deficit the funds will, of course, come from Opec members still in surplus. What is emerging, however, is how unless oil prices collapse in a manner which is not generexaggerated was the recycling idea: acting as intermedi-

Football trying

to score with

absentee fans

MARKETING AND ADVERTISING: THE SELLING OF SOCCER

By Torin Douglas

chairmen of the Football
League clubs were persuaded to capture the emotions", that they could well provide says Walker, "and the other one answer to the game's is designed to offer football appalling financial problems, though not until next season. The chairman saw a presentation from the advertising we have put forward on agency J. Walter Thompson public relations, sponsorship, of a campaign aimed at gettig new media opportunities and

of a campaign aimed at gettig new media opportunities and the country's armchair new product development—soccer fans back in the in the form of an indoor stands where, in the club's game called Soccer Six, view, they belong.

The strategy is unashamedly on a pilot basis at the end of this season—should bring

been commonplace for years. marketing companies would

of the Football

football match. Central to the campaign is a football-style song "We'll be there" — campaig

which is virtually guaranteed

to hammer its way into the

nation's consciousness in the way the best advertising

jingles have done over the

After years of declining

attendances and increasing

financial problems — culmi-nating in last week's decision

by Hull City to call in the receiver — the football clubs are starting to look seriously at techniques which in any

conventional business have

Six months ago, the Foot-ball League appointed a

marketing manager, Graham Walker, who moved from the

Conservative Party's ad agen-

cy, Saatchi and Saatchi, where he was a director.

week's marketing presen-

tation to the chairmen and he

went about the exercise in the same way he would for

any major marketing compa-

He conducted research, to

Walker masterminded last

"One approach is designed

new media opportunities and new product development —

The J. Walter Thompson

campaign is central to the plan. One marketing expert

said it was one of the best

presentations he had ever

seen, for any product, and it

was undoubtedly responsible

for arousing the chairmen's enthusiasm for the whole

marketing package.
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aries between the source and application of funds has always been the purpose of financial systems.

ing" will continue, albeit in a will alter, possibly for the defferent guise, suggest that better. Governments and smaller Opec surpluses do banks will not longer need to not mean less banking business. But they do imply changed business. The vital trait of Opec surpluses that they were liquid assets searching for investment outlets.

Opec members, particularly those with big surpluses, retained a high proportion of their excess revenues on deposit rather than investing in fixed assets, bonds, equi-

ties or other securities.

This is not to say that investment is about to dry up. Saudi Arabia, kuwait, and the other surplus countries will continue to be net investors abroad. Interest alone on previously invested funds almost matches oil revenues and therefore guarantees income to the host of intermediaries and advisers who swarmed around the Arabian honey

On the whole, however, the emphasis in future should shift over the next few years from dampening the insta-bility threatened by huge financial flows rapidly ac-cumulated, to more limited and specialist concerns for countries' individual requirements. Recycling is moving from the general to the particular.

The two facts that, put Three consequences fol-crudely, the cash is still in low. The climate of inter-the system and that "fecycl- national financial operations SI years ago about the affect on the dollar and zualan. This represents a exchange and interest rates transfer of financial knowof apparently indigestible Opec surpluses.

convincing with every fall in

the oil price.
This general improvement if such it proves to be, will take time to show through, however. The second conse-quence is being felt now. Whatever happened on the exchanges, banks involved in recycling earned profits from handling the funds. Extra deposits were translated into extra loans, some to the Third World, and balance sheets swelled. Then came commissions from stockbrokers, bond salesmen, commodity dealers, and the whole panoply of investment

If part of this business is to be replaced, it will have to come from sources nearer home. Banks, stockbrokers and others who opened Middle East branches will therefore need to justify costly overheads, Offices in Bahrain, Dubai and Jeddah will either close, suffer a contraction or become more closely involved in the local

That process has already started. But what is less noticed, although it is partly the consequences of these trends, is that Opec institutions, the Arab banks notably, are making inroads into a recycling business which was until recently dominated by western and Japanese houses. Arab banks and sister companies such as and sister companies such as the major Kuwaiti investment houses are firmly established in the syndicated loan and bond markets, and are poised to move into the related areas.

Being Arab and local helps a great deal, of course. Rich private investors who abound in the Gulf like to do business with their com-patriots — even if they are Lebanese, Syrian and Palestinian — and they occasionally feel uncomfortable about the publicity which can surround the activities of Western banks, More important, Opec states with investible surpluses have encouraged indigenous banking and related expertise. The Arab Banking Corporation, the Gulf Inter-national Bank (both based in Bahrain), and a number of maller companies, have overnments and rulers as hareholders.

shareholders.
One plausible outcome, therefore, of diminishing Opec surpluses is that a higher proportion of the recycling trade will pass into indigenous hands, whether have by Indonesian or Venezuland. ledge and skill which, in the long run, could prove as South phenomens may well significant as the transfer of For currency, political and spring from other clauses, income caused by soaring oil administrative reasons many but blaming the Arabs is less prices in the mid-1970s.

> rather like the Countdown card, which would give them immediate reductions on all sorts of purchases. We would be creating a bulk-buying vehicle with the clout to get large discounts for members.

"Members would also get a £3 voucher which could be used for admission to a game on specified days, so they would immediately get their money back, and there would be any number of merchandising opportunities such as T-shirts, car stickers, carrier bags and so on."

J. Walter Thompson also has a number of merchandis-

ing ideas based on the "We'll be There" theme, including badges reading "I Was There" and incorporating the scoreline of the match the spectator had seen and milk bottle collars to remind people of their local team's

forthcoming matches.
Quite how the two
campaigns will be knitted
together has yet to be
decided. Both schemes are still technically just pro-posals which have to be approved (and their budgets found and finalised) by the League's commercial subcommittee, though after their enthusiastic reception at last week's meeting this is likely

Marketing obviously is not the only answer to football's problems. The product itself has to be improved, with better facilities at grounds, a reduction in violence on the terraces and a more positive approach on the field.

Nevertheless, there is little doubt that by calling in the professionals, albeit at the last moment, League clubs

will have a better chance of withstanding the recession next season

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Business Editor

Burmah loses its nerve

newly-framed strategy to build up a speciality chemi-cals business, so yesterday's decision not to up the ante for Croda puts some-thing of a question mark over the group's develop-

It seems silly for Burmah to argue that it would have been prepared to raise its terms slightly after the 1982 profits forecast but for the big dividend increase which has swept the shares out of its reach. The truth of the matter is that Croda chairman Sir Freddie Wood is a past master of the takeover scene and has been outmanoeuvering Burmah all

noeuvering Burmah all along.
In what always looked as though it would be a hotycontested bid, it soon became apparent that the origingl £79m offer never stood a chance, but the stockmarket has been sending out fairly clear signals that it would have been prepared to listen more seriously if the offer had been improved by another been improved by another £8m. Many agreed that this would still not have been an outrageous price for a company that was evidently on the mend.

Clearly, Burmah was frightened of appearing to pay too much for an acquisition after its reckless spending in the 1970s. But in looking for fresh ways of determing its future similar growth by acquisiton will not be easy now that Croda has escaped its clutches.

For its part Croda has a lot to live up to after the profits and dividend fore-casts of the last couple of months and it must be hoping that the market will not upset these plans. Crods not upset these plans. Crods shares dropped 7p to 75p after the news at which level they can just about justify the fundamentals.

Burmah, however, is unlikely to hold on to its 14.9 per cent Crods holding as a trade investment, so the possibility of a share placing is likely to overhang the

ing is likely to overhang the price. In the event, only Croda shareholders are likely to feel hard done by. deprived of the opportunity of realizing their holding at levels that have never been seen before and might not be seen again.

Services Growth area

Barriers to invisible trade are rapidly becoming a vogue issue. Last month the Committee on Invisible Exports in London set up a body to examine the question. The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development in Paris has been beavering away at the issue for some time, chiefly at the behest of the United

States.

This is intended as a prelude to a new round of world trade negotiations simed, in part, at reducing barriers to cross-frontier trade in fields like banking, insurance, shipping, tele-communications, advertis-ing, consultancy among

The Americans, in par-ticular, have been pushing hard for greater liberalization. That is hardly surpris-ing: more than half of the American gross domestic product comes from the services sector, even if Government services are excluded. In the case of Britain, the proportion is about two-fifths. This is about the same as for most other Western countries, with the principal exception

of Germany.

For many of them, servicement than es are more important than manufacturing. Yet, until now, people have been worrying more about de-industrialization than about building up their services industries, although according to classical theory, there is a normal tendency for countries to develop from agricultural economies, through manufacturing predominantly serviceoriented economies.

According to Ronald

Burmah Oil has done its shelp, the author of "Bereputation no good over the lame handling of the bid for croda. The takeover was political institutions have being trumpeted as a core always tended to lag behind element in the group's economic reality. This is newly-framed strategy to true today when the services industries are pushing for greater political recognition as it was 150 years ago when the industrial classes were beginning to assert themselves in a world

dominated by the landed

gentry.

Ronald Shelp is an executive of American International Group and chairman of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce International Security Industry national Service Industry Committee. The effective-ness of the services lobby in America can be gauged from the fact that two pieces of draft legislation are hefore Congress aimed at bringing the law govern-ing services into line with

that for trade in goods.

The problem is that while many countries have become service economies few people have considered the implications of this. Will a service-oriented economy built on supplying low skilled personal services or will the skills and talent wit the skills and talent required be more sophisti-cated? What does it mean for employment and growth?; Will it bring an end to pollution, capital shortages and economic fluctuations?; Does it imply a growth or reduction in the size of Government? They are questions that need addressing, otherwise the development of a world economy in which service activities play a prominent role will, in Shelp's opinion inevitably lead to conflict.

Barclays Confident

At first glance Barclays' results are mildly disap-pointing showing only an 8 per cent pre-tax gain to £567m. Moreover, most of this has come from the international side, while profitability from the profitability from the United kingdom parent bank is down for the second

year running.
Barclays Bank International (BBI) has had a good year, growing strong-ly. International net interest income, for instance, was 37 per cent at £623m. The North American operations have done much better than the previous year and though higher bad debt provisions — reflecting the involvement in Poland and elsewhere — and increased interest on loan capital have contained the increase, BBI still managed an improvement from £160m to £198m before tax.
On the domestic side Mercantile Credit's athieve-

ments are reflected both in the advance from £38m to £52m profit before loan interest and the drop in the group tax charge from £152m to £105m on account of lessing. But the parent bank's profits were down from £291m before loan interest to £267m.

Barclays claims a ½ per cent rise in domestic share doubtless helped by its growth in mortgage landing. But lower interest rates, a further small swing from current to deposit accounts and a rather higher rise in staff costs—up by 15 per cent—than say Nat West, appears to have accounted for the

Domestic bad debts provisions at Barclays have fallen, although not by the

The underlying domestic performance from Barclays and Nat West was probably broadly similar if this is allowed for, and not as good

as Lloyds.

The balance sheet growth at Barclays from £37,100m to £48,000m gives an indication of why Barclays recently raised £100m on the band market to strong

the bond market to streng-then its capital base.

Meanwhile the 19 per cent dividend rise and indication that it will be maintained after the one-for five scrip shows there is for-five scrip shows there is no lack of confidence. At 480p the prospective yield is

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205	187	Bardon Hill	200	_	9.7	4.9	9.7	11.8
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104	69	Deborah Services	69xd	_	5.0	8.7	3.3	6.5
131	97	Frank Horseil	131	_	6.4	4.9	11.8	24.3
83	39	Frederick Parker	83	_	6.4	7.7	4.2	3.1
78	46	George Blair	52	_		_	_	
102	93	Ind Pref Castings	95	_	7.3	7.7	6.3	10.3
106	100	Isis Conv Pref	106	_	15.7	14.8	_	_
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has a homogenising effect, which has built up the apathy and inertia of the armchair

supporter.

"This homogenising effect weakens the emotional experience for the viewer and we have to put this across. You cannot rationally argue people into going to football games — it must be an emotional sell."

In its presentation, the agency showed clips from agency snowed cups from interviews they conducted with football supporters. "You don't get the excitement on television", said one fan, in his mid-thirties. "It's hard to explain - you have to be there to know what it's

are in decline, such as milk or bread, except for one thing — it receives over 150 pay millions for, either in boys queueing at the turn-straight television advertising stiles, the floodlights coming. or in the form of sponsor- on, jubilation at a goal and so

J. Walter Thompson pinpointed the reason that this television coverage was not helping the game. Television likened to the generic camwas not actively taking spectators away from J. Walter Thompson grounds — League games are account), milk and eggs,

ind out how the product was relevision coverage of aimed at the "fair weather" specified a entertainment in itself" says lems were; he briefed a entertainment in itself" says lems when his club is doing entertainment in itself" says well or is playing a number of advertising agenJohn Paine, a J. Walter well or is playing a glamorous rival.

Cles and saw presentations Thompson director. "It is not glamorous rival.

Unfortunately, of course,



marketing commodities that like." To rekindle this atmosphere, Thompsons has proposed a television campaign which will build up the excitement of going to a football match — shots of with the stirring "We'll Be There" as the soundtrack. In addition to this theme

advertising, which could be paigns run for bread (also a mot broadcast live — but it was making football look very bland through its presentation.

"Television coverage of "Television coverage of supporter, who only goes to specific productions are account), make and eggs, Thompsons has proposed that the clubs should be aimed at the "fair weather" supporter, who only goes to

football's finances are at an even lower ebb than usual, clubs are likely to be reluctant to spend very much

ball League is considering ways of raising up to £5 million to put towards promotional campaigns of this

from next season. A more imaginative fundraising proposal has been put forward by one of the other advertising agencies who presented for the business, The Hutton Company, which

This proposal, which also

League Supporters Club to be the largest club in the country," says the agency's chairman David Hutton.

For this reason, the Footto be a formality.

One obvious route is sponsorship and the league yesterday announced that the National Dairy Council would be backing the League Cup— to be called the Milk Cup—

has come up with the concept of the Football League Supporters Club.

caught the imagination of the League chairmen, is Walker's second approach - the one offering spectators a better deal - and it will enable members to buy a wide variety of goods and services more cheaply in addition to giving them benefits more directly connected with foot-"We want the Football

There would be a charge of £3 or so and in return Unfortunately, of course, members would get a card,

ABN Bank	13%9
Barclays	13%%
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Lloyds Bank	
Midland Bank	131/2%
Nat Westminster	131/2%
TSB	131/2%
Williams & Glyn's	131/2%
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Preliminary Results from Royal Insurance

Preliminary Results for 1981

A change has been made this year in the presentation of the results with the aim of giving shareholders a clearer appreciation of the return derived from our general insurance operation. In general insurance business the investment of the funds held to provide for unearned premiums and outstanding claims produces investment income which is an integral part of the insurance operation. An appropriate part, therefore, of the total investment income has been shown separately as part of the General Insurance Profit.

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•	YEAR 1981	YEAR 1980
-	£m	. £m
General Insurance:		
Premiums Written	1,489.9	1,341.7
Underwriting Balance	-102.8	-40.3 .
Investment Income allocated to		
General Insurance operations	152.3	113.3
General Insurance Profit	49.5	73.0
Long-term Insurance Profit	11.9	10.0
Investment Income allocated to		
Capital and Reserves	49.2	33.0
Share of Associated Companies' Profits	7.0	6.2
Profit before Taxation	117.6	122.2
Less Taxation	45.0	50.4
Minority Interests	0.9	0.9
Net Profit attributable to the Shareholders	71.7	. 70.9
(pence per share)	(38.5p)	(46.2p)
Dividends for the year	47.6	41.7
(pence per share)	(25.25p)	(24.0p)
Transfer to Retained Profits	24.1	2912

NOTE 1. Foreign currencies have been translated according to our normal practice at approximately the average rates of exchange ruling during the period. The principal rates were: -

	Year 1981	Year 1980
USA	\$2.02	\$2.33
Canada	· \$2.42	\$2.72
Vetherlands	Fls5.02	Fls4.63
Australia	\$1.76	\$2.04

Due to changes in exchange rates the Underwriting Balance and Associated Companies' result was adversely affected by £13.2m whereas the total investment income benefited by the same amount.

NOTE 2. All fixtures, fittings and equipment are being capitalised and depreciated over appropriate periods instead of, as previously, written off in the year of purchase. The effect in the first year of this change in accounting policy is to favour the comparison of 1981 pre-tax profit with that for 1980 by £5m.

NOTE 3. Earnings per share have been adjusted for the bonus element in the January 1981 rights issue in accordance with standard accounting practice.

NOTE 4. The interim dividend in respect of 1980 was paid on the pre-rights capital.

Final Dividend

The directors will recommend to the shareholders that at the annual general · meeting to be held on 12th May 1982, a final dividend be declared of 15.5p per 25p share to be paid on 21st May 1982. This dividend will be payable to shareholders registered at the close of business on 22nd April 1982.

This, together with the interim dividend of 9.75p already paid will make a total distribution of 25.25p per share for the year 1981 compared with 24.0p for 1980. With the addition of shareholders' tax credit the equivalent "gross" dividend for the year is 36.07p.

Investment Income

Total investment income in sterling terms increased by 38 per cent; allowing for the changes in the rates of exchange and for income earned on the investment of the proceeds of the rights issue the underlying growth was 19 per cent.

Long Term Insurance

There was an increased profit of £11.9m. from our Life operation which was incorporated into a separate operating company, Royal Life Insurance Limited, on 31st December 1981.

General Insurance

Premium income rose by 20 per cent in sterling; allowing for the effect of currency changes, the increase was over 12 per cent. Details of the results of the general insurance operation are shown below.

BUSINESS NEWS

OVERSEAS COMPANIES

Kloeckner-Humboldt-Dautz said it achieved satisfactory results in 1981 after a Dm38,530m group net profit in 1980, but gave no figures, Group external sates rose Dm200m to Dm4,800 in 1981. Profits will be announced in May. Increased international competition and pressure on marriers and tition out pressure on margins and this would continue in 1982 white profits in 1981 would be hit by poor results by its Argentine

subsidiary.

A forecast recovery in Japanese corporate profits will be slower than expected in the second half

in Tokyo Green Cross reports a 7.6 per cent unconsolidated net earnings gain in the year to 1981 to December, despite what it called a serious setback as a result of a Government enforced

Green Cross's net earnings rose to Y4,870m (£1,132m) from: Y4,528, in the previous year. Sales showed a sharper 18.7 per cent rise totalling Y71,168m in contrast to 1980's Y59,962m Per-share profit fell to Y37.12 from Y39.68, because of a share

The net earnings of Neder-landse Credietbank, the fifth biggest Durch bank, tell 12.4 per cent to 19m guilders in 1981. The bank is proposing to cut the bank is proposing to cut the annual dividend to 3.6 guilders

pects to maintain net profits for the current year at a similar level profit of BelFr1.7m.

Gross Income rose 13.8 per cent

to 291.2m guilders, while costs rose 14.7 per cent to 226.4m.

The bank is setting aside 42m guilders in provisions compared with 28m for 1980. Taxes amount

to 3.8m against 8.9m a year-The bank's balance sheet total rose 14.7 per cent to 15.6m

The Pengkalen board advise, as Shimbun of 865 companies shows. company's dredge has now Profits are expected to rise by an average of 14.2 per cent from the preceding six months, when they fell 16.9 per cent. An earlier small amount of mining income will estimate predicted a 42 per cent continue to be derived from tribute precedings.

Southern Pacific Petroleum, Central Pacific Minerals and Esso Exploration and Production Australia announce that a joint tratia announce that a joint

Woodside nounced in Melbourne that sales of north west shelf liquified natural gas to Japan will be delayed by one year until 1987.

Woodside said that the decision

was due to a rapidly changing economic climate both in Australia

and Japan. Target date for first gas will now be about April, 1987. The delay follows a decision by the company to defer the building of a second production platform for the A\$8,000m project.

WALL STREET

New York, March 1 — technical factors caused the market to show a modest improvement despite the negative background news.

The Dow Jones Industrial average started the session higher, moved to the down side by midday and then bounced back to be the session about 4 points. close up about 4 points. Advances led declines by around 840 to 640 and volume swelled to some 53m shares from 43.84m on Friday.

Weighing on the market was a \$1,200m gain in the money supply (M1) last Friday, which analysts said clouded the outlook for interest rates, and a 0.6 per cent drop in the January leading economic indicators. economic indicators.

index, designed to predict trends in the economy. Mr Morte Gordon of Dreytus

Corp said investors were concerned by a leading economist's statement that chances of an warning that he is opposed to any changes in scheduled tax cuts.

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Results of the General Insurance Operation were: —

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Royal USA.	540.6	-32.3	60.2	27.9	406.4	-16.0	44.0	28.0
Royal UK.	453.2	5.1	44.4	49.5	393.3	10.4	33.7	44.1
Royal Canada	208.1	51.9	24.1	27.8	173.1	-24.1	16.6	-7.5
Royal Australia	68.0	-21.1	7.8	—13.3	51.5	-8.5	5.4	-3.1
Royal Nederland	66.7	3.2 .	5.7	8.9	74.8	2.5	5.4	7.9
Royal Int	104.4	4.1	6.8	2.7	99.5	-4.8	5.3	0.5
Royal Reinsurance	48.1	-1.5	3.2	1.7	43.1	0.2	2.9	3.1
Holding Company	0.8	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-	_	- .	–
•	1,489.9	102.8	152.3	49.5	1,241.7	-40.3	113.3	73.0
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In the United States, premium income grew in dollar terms by 15.4%. The operating ratio was 104.0% (102.4); the claims ratio was 71.8% (69.0) and the expense ratio 32.2% (33.4). The main features were a deterioration in commercial multi-peril and an improvement in workers compensation business and in personal insurance.

In the UK premium income also rose by over 15%, the major part occurring in personal lines. Property business remained profitable but was significantly affected by the exceptionally bad weather in December, particularly in the important householders account. Results worsened in liability and marine and aviation.

There was a reduction in business in real terms in Canada where the premium increase in local currency terms of 7% was more than accounted for by substantial rate increases on the business retained. Market conditions continue to be extremely difficult and results deteriorated in most major lines. Following the rate rises of 1981, significant increases are also being applied early in 1982; it is accepted that the consequence may be a further loss of market share.

Market conditions were also extremely adverse in Australia affecting all classes of business. Strong pricing action during the year more than accounted for the increase in premium volume in local terms of 14%. Further remedial measures are being implemented during the early part of 1982.

In Royal Nederland the good result arose from the substantial motor account and an improvement in accident business. Premium volume fell in local currency terms by 3% in the continuing severely competitive market conditions.

Conditions remained difficult in most of the wide spread of overseas territories where Royal Int. operates but improved experience in Africa contributed to the reduction in

The result for Royal Reinsurance was adversely impacted by an abnormal number of large property claims in the Home Foreign account. Treaty business remained very



Britain

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blacklist

By Simon Scott Plummer

The British and Americans

have the most sporting contacts with South Africa, according to

The report, which was issued simultaneously in London and New York, lists 81 individuals—including the tennis player Vitas Gerulairs—and one team from the United Street

The British and Americans

account for more than half the names on the register. The report accuses the Governments of both countries of falling to take suf-ficient action to prevent sporting exchanges with South Africa.

exchanges with South Africa.

Britain has formally opposed such exchanges but has not taken "every practicable step to do so, its called for by the Glenegles Agreement between Common-wealth commission 1977", the report says, It adds that the United States "has taken no action at all " to discourage sporting contacts with South Africa.

At a press conference in Lore

At a prese conference in London to launch the report, Mr Sam Ramsamy, chairman of the South Africas Non-Racial Olympic Committee (Samroc), said that the number of sportsmen from a particular country going to South Africa reflected the attitude of the Government of that country towards arch con-

that country towards such con-

However, he was encouraged that Mr Nell Macfarlans, the British Minister for Sport, had been "coming out more strongly-and forthrightly" against sporting trips to South Africa by Britons. If this continued, their number would fall.

Mr Payments and South Africa

number would fall.

Mr Ramsamy said South Africa was using tennis, golf, cricket and rugby in particular "to form a very large battering ram to break out of isolation". The South Africans "were provoking problems in relation to Australia" in the hope that African countries would withdraw from the Commonwealth Games in Brisbans in October, he said.

Asked about the UN report's

Asked about the UN report's strictures against the British Government, a Foreign Office spokesmen said that British was taking every practical step to

discourage sporting contacts with South Africa. In the last

ment would not wish to infringa human rights by resorting to impounding passports and pre-venting people from leaving the country. That would smark of

in New York there was mixed reaction to the blacklist: it was applicated by countries whose sports figures were not on the

list, while those countries named looked upon the venture with various degrees of dissatisfaction.

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Gooch, aged 28, may well have earned in the region of £40,000 last year with two tours for England at £5,000 each, in addition to his Essex contract of about the same and various perks in the forms of bounses, a car and free equipment.

free equipment.

But alibough he is due to make about £40,000 for the tour in South Africa, he may well find his earnings savagely cut if he is not selected to play for England. Not only will he lose Test appearance fees and prize money, but his chances of endorsing products also be correspondingly

chances of endorsing products would also be correspondingly slimmer.

United Nations blacklist pub-

S. Africa: golden hands across the great divide

League Cup with £2.5m worth of cream on top

By Norman Fox

specific the League Cup could be followed by the Football League field being sponsored. Graham Kelly, the League's secretary said respectively that finding another sponsorior the whole club season are a might year. oriority".

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Outlook. 3 0 6 per cere The League Cup will be spon-sone for the next four seasons by the National Dairy Council, the mane of the competition will be changed to "The Milk Cup" mile new trophy designed. Yes-tering a amountement was simed any advantage of this season's machine that the sponsors could the advantage of this season's machine timal between Liverpool and Tottenham Hotspur on Somrow week.

This much bigger proposition and. Mr Kelly would like to see

Ar Kelly admitted: "We are a 125,000 a year spent on helping
yong way away from agreeing any young footballers learn new
idea but it is our priority now" trades, but, controversially, the on sent admitted: "We are a long way away from agreeing any deed but it is our priority now". The League employ a promotions company who will continue a search for new sponsors and work on all forms of marketing on their behalf.

expected to contribute an estimated film a season. A spokesman avoided opposition by ensuring that the sponsor concerned markets 2 "healthy" product. The lake that on, but I don't know where they will find anyone at the moment."

sored and the League have avoided opposition by ensuring that the sponsor concerned markets 2 "healthy" product. The league refused to consider alcohol or tobacco companies.

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moment."

An exact figure for the deal with the Dairy Council was not revealed at yesterday's announcement but Mr Kelly believed it was "the higgest sponsorship deal ever negotiated in the history of British sport?. How the money will be used was also kept secret. ivantage of this season's although probably because the refinal between Liverpool whole deal had been rushed through in 10 days of negociations and no meetings have been held ortality of the League itself; to discuss plant:

largest proportion of the new income will probably go towards the financing of a £5m advertising campaign, suggested at the League chairmen's seminar, and to the "Milk Cup" successful clubs. This is the first time football on Should a sponsor come forward "Milk Cup" successful clubs.
to support the financially unsound This is the first time football on
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League refused to consider alcohol or tobacco companies.

Although there are still problems over players being seen on television wearing advertising slogans, the sponsorship of a competition avoids the present staution, especially if the name of the event is changed to satisfy the sponsor. e sponsor.
Mr Kelly said: "The sponsor

Mr Kelly said: "The sponsorship of the League Cup shows we
can interest industry in our product, and we will also benefit
from all the advertising and promotions they do over and above
the money they are giving us."

Should the new trophy be finished in time, the winners on
Saturday week will receive two
trophies, the existing cup, which
has been used since the competition began in 1960-61, and the new
MRk Cup. The sponsors could
hardly ask for a potentially
hetter first final with Tottenham
and Liverpool promising to upstage this season's FA Cup from
which many of the most antractive teams have been eliminated.

A land flowing with milk and money : and bread and water

Noose tightens round Halifax

Halifax Town, a fourth division club said by their chairman to be "hopelessly insolvent", have been put up for sale and will close down at the end of the month unless someone takes over financial responsibility. Sam Rorke, the chairman yesterday called a meeting of the 17 professional players to tell them they were all being placed on the transfer list. Later he said Halftransfer list. Later he said Halipare to be no future for profax had liabilities of over
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f250,000 a week wage bill and other
expenses until the end of March.
It january there was a crists
meeting in the town's Civic
Theatre attended by 1,600 people.
An appeal was launched and Mr
Rorke said he would resign at the
end of February unless f100,000 in the figure at over f250,000 to f80,000
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only f14,000 had been raceived makes an entirely different ball
with another f16,000 promised.
That money had been paid into a
special account and would not be
used to pay debts.

With crowds of only 2,000 attending Halifar's home games,
the prospects for the club are
f250,000 injected by new direc-

poor. Mr Rorke said he could see no way in which he and the rest of the board could continue to cover such heavy losses. The team are near the bottom of the fourth division and, francally, touight play their next game away to Hull City who are in the hands of a receiver. Mr. Rorks said it seemed that a prospective purchaser had little to buy because the public had shown no interest and there appeared to be no future for professional football in the fown. Halifar were founder members of the third division north in 1921. Scarborough.

tors in October will have disappeared by June. The party is over as far as this club is concerned but we are not going to the wall." Drastic cuts on the managerial side are planned, through the manager himself, Bobby Moncur, is safe and the professional playing staff will be reduced. Another plan is to help form a midweek reserve league for the west of England clubs.

Football's financial problems have even extended to 2 firm of printers in Newton Abbot. Dupler Lido, who print 26 of the League's 92 club programmes, have called in a receiver. The company say programme sales are down by hearly 40 per cent.

Derby County's vice-chairman, Rex Stone, yesterday resigned because of ill-health but guaranteed to give the same financial support to the club's share issue as the remaining directors. Shares of about £40,000 have been sold but with the target £500,000 it has been decided to extend the Issue to March 16.

John Newman, who has been acting manager at Derby since Colim Addison was dismissed, has been offered the job as manager.

French victory inspires forwards

Their place at the top of the league leaders. Winners Cup tomorrow. The league was taken by Bordeaux. Sayern Monich stayed top of day's main surprise was the 1—0 whose international guartet of the West German first division defeat of Cologue by bottom-of-tresor. Tigana, Giresse and with a 3—1 victory over Einthe-table Duisburg. 2.1 victory at Tours. St Etterne looked to be safely on their way to victory when the French sicipper Michel Platini stored from close range only for Musin to slam in a late shot from 25 yards...

Sordesus were trailing inside half-an-hour at Tours. The home half-an-hour at Tours. The home half-an-hour at Tours. The home hunger, Devikischahrolle (the longest name in French league foothsil) crossed to Onnis who volleyed past Pantelic.

The visitors, playing superbly, slowly got on top, however, and equalized just before half-time with a tremendous drive by Tigana. Kourichi headed the winner from a corner.

Monacto stayed in third place

Monaco stryed in third place thanks to a 3-1 home win against Valenciennes and Sochaux kept in touch with the leaders with a 2-1 victory over Nantes. At the other end of the table there was no change in the for-times of Nice who went down 1—0 in Mets while Mourpellier lost by the same score at Bastia. There was no change at the top of the Spanish, Italian-and West German-leagues. In Spain Bartelona's 2—0 win in Seville kept them four points clear of their closest rivals Real Sociedad, who thrashed "Valladolid 4—0. Real Madrid drew I—I with Bilbau to drop from second to third.

Joventus and Fiorentina stayed

top of the Italian first division. Forentina looked far from im-pressive in a dour goalless first-

There was no shortage of goals when France's World Cup players returned to league daty at the weekend after their instorts 2-0 and when a Bertoni after a solo run. Florenting added a second after their instorts 2-0 and when a Bertoni shor was cheekend after their player fixtures produced 23 goals and one surprise. St Etienne were knocked off the match between lowly Cagliari, and Juvenius was equally leaking in thrills, Tardelli's first half goal being emough for the league leaders.

European league results

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having so many players in the England team, Leicester will be eight or nine men short of their strongest for two matches this

Coventry's Harry Walker, that staunch England front row man

of yesteryear, was not greatly enchanted by the draw. "I'd rather we were playing at Gloucester," he observed, "in from of a full house." The Harlequins

Nigel Morris of Moseley de-clared himself pleased that his club will be entertaining Liver-pool. "No need to make any different arrangements", he ex-plained. By a coincidence the sum

plained. By a coincidence the two

clubs were due to meet in a friendly fixture on the same day

-and on the same ground.

points, two more than Borussia Mönchengladbach who lost 1—0 at home to Borussia Dortmind. Ramburg, who have scored more goals than any other side in the league (61), kept up their challenge to the leaders with a 2—0 home win against Eintracht Frankfurt, Tottenham Hotspur's opponents in the European Company of the Eur opponents in the European Cup

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TCCB must not desert Test men

Cricket Correspondent

Listening yesterday to the hysterical reactions of people who should know better, to the arrival in South Africa of a team of in South Africa of a ream of England Test cricketers, I was reminded of what was said to me in Soweto in September 1975, by two eminent Sowetans, one a town councillor, the other an executive of the local cricketing

In its latest register of such contacts the UN Special Committee against Apartheid says that in the nine mouths up to December 31 fast year 115 individuals and two teams from Britain took part in sporting events in South Africa. I had met them two days earlier, watching a double-wicker tournament at the Wanwicker tournament at the Wanderers Ground in Johannesburg.
We had lunched together, blacks
and whites at the same table, in
the inner sanctum where not
long before no white man would
ever have taken salt with a black
one. "Come and visit us in the
township" they had said. "And
let's get to know each other
better." They included the cricketers Mike Hendrick, Robin Jackman, Wayne Larkins, Geoff Miller, Chris Old and Peter Willey, the tennis players Buster. Motram and Virginia Wade, and the athlete Lynn Davies.

So I went, and while I was there they told me how disap-pointed they were that the MCC tour to South Africa (the last tour to South Africa (the last such (our ever scheduled) had just been cancelled. "In four months they could have done more for us and our cricket", they said, "than we shall be able to do for ourselves in 10 years." Now, for playing in South Africa, Gooch and Emburey and the other England cricketers currently in Johannesburg are being branded as pariabs. parians.

pariatis.

To read yesterday's papers you would think that Gooch and Emburer, though doing nothing that as citizens of a free country they are not perfectly enabled to do, have disqualified themselves for good and all from playing for England again. For myself I alacerely hope, as those two Sowatans would, that they will be in Anstralia later this year, warmly welcomed as members of the England side.

In 1970, when Basil d'Oliveira

In 1970, when Basil d'Oliveira was declared persons non gratia by the South Africa Government, MCC said that Encland would not by the Sonty Arrisa Covernment, McC said that England would not go there again until cricket; in South Africa "was played and organized on a multi-racial basis." Fair amough. Threatened with permanent isolation, the South African Cricket Association, as their governing body then was, set about doing all it reasonably could to pull the barriers down. By 1979 they had achieved enough for a fact rinding commission wishing South African under the auspices of the International Cricket Conference, to recommend that a strong multi-racial ream be seen there at the first opportunity.

And what have the ICC done? Nothing, And what have the ICC done? You and County Cricket Board done to encourage the South Africans

Nothing. And what have a least and county cricker Board done to encourage the South Africans to think that one day their efforts at emancipation will be rewarded? Nothing.

Although the all-white SACA of 1970 has long since become the non-racial South African Cricker Union (their first and lare president, Rashid Varachia, was an Indian) they are given only the shortest striff; when they come to England. That they would eventually tire of this and use their great wealth to Isanch some sort of shadow series of their own was inevitable. This time next year a sldg of Australian Test cricketers could well be making up a triangular tournament.

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be making up a triangular tournament.
What I had hoped for from the
TCCB was not to hear that Gooch
and Emburey had put themselves
out of court, but that every possible way would be sought to

Players may gain little from gamble When the matches were being discussed with the players during the South Africa for some of the older cricketers nearing the end of their careers can be seen as financially sound, it is rather more of a gamble for players such as Graham Gooch and John Emburey.

Gooch and 28 sixed back to South Africa for the next two seasons for similar matches with handsome financial awards. That, however, would presumably depend on the success of the forthcoming matches.

A question mark must also hang over some players' county benefit matches, to which they are entitled after 10 years. For the larger counties that could mean anything up to £100,000 tax free for a former England cricketer, but it remains to be seen if the present furore will lead to wider repercussions and a loss of popularity for the individuals involved.

Some of the players perhaps believe that when the fuss has died down the decision to play in South Africa, all will be quietly forgotten.

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It is understood that those who went felt that their chances of earning large sums from cricket were diminishing. Some also feel the international game is in jeopardy following the incidents during the West Indian and Indian thurs because of snorting contacts.

Johannesburg airport

enable them to continue their Test careers. If the ICC and the TCCB had done their stuff by sending to South Africa, on their

Own terms, sides to monitor the situation there, this need never have happened.

The secrecy of the latest

operation smacked too much of Packerism to be attractive; and such was the nature of Boycott's performance in India that to have him as captain in South Africa seems meretricious. Yet Gooch

and Emburey are cricketers of high principle: I know them well enough to believe that they think

what they are doing is almed, if only partly, at helping all the cricketers of South Africa.

As for the chances of this

As for the chances of this summer's tours of England by India and Pakistan surviving, that must not depend upon the TCCB agreeing to ostracize Gooch and the rest of them. Having done their best to stop them from going to South Africa, the TCCB, as the guardians of English and the state of the surviving work. For

cricketers, should work now to say: their England places.

tame to a ananimous agreement at their last meeting that no one member country should dictate to the selectors of another. If the governments of India and Pakis-

tours because of sporting contacts of some players with South Africa. For others the large financial inducement, with the possibility of more to come, outweighed the consequences and the financial penalties of not being selected for England again.

The chairman of the New Zea-

land Cricket Council R. A. Vance yesterday expressed dismay at the private tour of South Africa by the group of England international players.

RUGBY LEAGUE Quarter final

gates over 10.000 likely

By Keith Macklin

Attendances in excess of 10,000 are expected at each of the Cap, sponsored by State Express. These four ties will be played during the waskend after next with Widnes, Hull and Leigh, the first three teams in the First division table, bidding for a Cup and eLague double.

Of these three teams, Widnes have been given the hardest task in the quarter finals. While Hull and Leigh have home ties, Widnes have to travel to Odsal to face stern rivals in Bradford Northern who have figured in many keen Cup tussles with Widnes There is a local derby in the Wakefield Trinky v Leeds tie at Belle Vue, with Leeds sounding

chubs that their eyes are on Wembley yet again Hull have, perhaps, the easiest option with a home game against the only remaining Second Division clab, Halifax. Hull are in excellent form at the moment. are holders of the John Player Trophy, and can beat anyone at

an attractive side; but Leigh have won 14 games in a row and after winning on Humberside will fear

v Leeds, Hull v Halifax, Leigh v Castleford, Bradford Northern v Widnes,



Smith's place in sun

Jim Smith was last night handed the double task of technic in Majocca when he learnt that he had been given the job ahead division and puriling the club on a sound financial footing. "We are not going to end up like Halifax" Robert Maxwell, Oxford's millionaire chairman, promised. He coupled the appointment with the announcement that he was no longer planning to sue the former manager, Ian Greaves, for breach of contract. Mr Greaves walked out on Oxford a moutha division and pursing the club on a sound financial footing. We are not going to end up like Halifar!", Robert Maxwell, Oxford's millionaire chairman, promised. He coupled the appointment with the announcement that he was no longer planning to sue the former manager, Ian Greaves, for breach of contract. Mr Greaves walked out on Oxford a montha ago. It is a formight since Mr ago. It is a formight since Mr Smith was sacked by Birmingham. "We have kept on winning since Ian Greaves left and now we have replaced him with a better man. That makes it rather

Mr Smith has signed a two-year courract and Mr Maxwell-has given him the same target as Mr Greaves was aiming for—a place in the second division The club are fifth in the third division, six points behind the leaders, but Mr Smith will probably have to make do with the players on the staff.

Denis Howell, the former Sports Minister accompanied Aston Villa, the league champions when they flew to Russia yester-day for the first leg of the Euro-pean Cup quarter-final against Dynamo Kiev. Villa took their own food to minimise the risk of

difficult to claim damages", Mr. Maxwell, owner of the Oxford-based Pergamon Press, said.

Ricky Villa has lost his fight to figure in Tottenham Hotspurs' European Cup Winners' Cup quarter-final against Eintracht Frankfurt, and the chances are the Argentinian will also not be available for Saturday's FA cup sight mund trip to Chelsea. Villa sixth round trip to Chelsea. Villa has a hamstring injury.

TENNIS

Jaeger's first win over Evert

Oakland, California, March 1.—
Andre: Jaegar recorded her first
victory over Chris Evert Lloyd
7—6, 6—4 yesterday and won the
5150,000 Avon Championship of
California for the second year
running. running,
Jacger, aged 15, resembled
Lloyd with her two-fisted backhand, high lobs, deft drop shots
and powerful baseline strokes. But Jaeger added to that a desire that Lloyd appeared to lack. It was the first tournament for Lloyd, who is 27 years old, in two months. Jaeger took advantage of that layoff to run her around the court and win the \$30,000 larger is off to a strong start this year, reaching the finals of three of the four tournaments she

has entered and winning the Avon tournament in Detroit.

CRICKET Rain ruins hopes

of Test result Wellington, New Zealand, March 1.—The fourth day of the

first Test between Australia and New Zealand at the Basin Res-New Zealand at the Basin Reserve here was again abandoned without a ball being bowled. Peter McFarline writes.

The Test, with only one day to run, has now no hope of being decided. Heavy rain this morning caused the umpires to abandon play. So far only four hours and 49 minutes of play have been possible.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA 423 for eight dec (J Crower 12b, D Hookes 63, P Sleep S3, I Carlen 4-98) and 161 for one. (W Phillips 84 not out, R Darling 47)
VICTORIA 297 (J Weiner 115, I Scholes 64, D Slocack 4-85) and 286 (J Scholes 71, P Davies 57, J Wainer 42, P Sleep 343,

TODAY'S FIXTURES

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THIRD DIVISION: Huddersfield Town
v Lincola City: Walsall v Surpley,
FOURTH DIVISION: Hull City v Ratifex Town: Northamgon Town
v Cochester United.

WELSH CUP: Fifth round replay: Col-SCOTHERN LEAGUE: Midwadi Corby Wellingbarough: Glogcester V En-darby: Wigney V Stourbridge. Essiti: Ashlord V Dorthester: Maxings v Hil-lingden: Tonbridge V Spsingsjok: Waterlapylir V Dover (7.16); Westd-sione V Welling. POOTBALL COMBINATION: Birmine-POOTBALL COMBINATION: Birmine-ham v QP Rangers (7.0: Breigi R v Oxford: Issuich v Loicoler; Orieni v U-11070 (2.0: Plymouth v West Ham. MIDLAND LEADUE: Armold v Spale.

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MIDIAND LEAGUE: Arrola Specialine; Suiton Town v Brigg ISTHMIAN LEAGUE: Presiler Division: FA TROPHY: Fourth round draw: Allrincham v Righen's Stortford: Northwich Victoria v Suiton United or Wortcoller City: Kidderminster Harriers BASKETBALL NATIONAL LABUUM: Winnings Jois S. B. Laurs Blues II: Colorado Nochres C. Chleago Black Hawks 3; Philadolphia Figers X. Vancouver Canucha S. Muthasola North Siars 5, Detrick Red Wings 4; Edmoston Olfers 4; Edmoston Olfers 4; Schingion Capaditis I Montres Capaditis 5, Hayford Whalors U. Philaburgh Panguins 4, New York Rangors 2. KARATE

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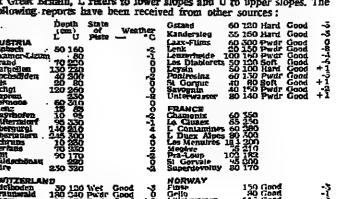
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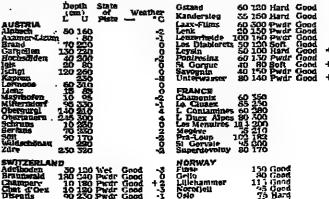
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Place skiing remains excellent

In the above reports, supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great Britain, L refers to lower slopes and U to upper slopes. The following reports have been received from other sources:





Short straw for Sale in the quarter-final

Johnson, said they had got what they wanted, a match at home.

"Gosforth will be a tough assignment for us," he added, "but we're content. We shan't in fact dabious privilege of playing Gloucester, on their own patch at Kingsholm, in the quarter-final of the John Player Cup on Saturday week.

When the draw was made at the London Press Centre yesterday Gloresper's name was the first to energy. When that of Sale came out their there was all audible site of relief from the representatives of Leicester, and, for that audion, of all other clubs the control of the contr

involved.

The holders of the trophy will have a home-fixing against Gosforth, who have been drawn away for the twenty-fourth time in 23 knockout encounters over the years. This, then, will be a match between a club which has taken between a club w forth, who mee been drawn away for the twenty-fourth time in 33 knockout encounters over the years. This, then will be a match between a club which has taken the trophy three times running, and another which has won it in consecutive seventies.

Coventry, another with well mured to travelling the wide in the competition, are stary, yet again—on this occasion to Harleagain—out this occasion of Harle-oning—for the twenty-fifth-has in 34 by thes. The other the way be at the Reddings, between Moseley and Liverpool, who won at British Tohn Player draw in the fourth round. For the Gloucester v Sale harpiest of draws. John Nisbert: Harlequins v Coventry Sale official, said: "We don't Leicester v Gosforth far the Gloucester team but the Moseley v. Liverpool kingsholm crowd might be a bit Ties to be played on Satur-

The Leicester captain, Steve day, March 13.

Barbarians pick Butler in

Calder's place

Jim Calder, the Scottish Inter-national flanker, has withdrawn for business reasons from the Barbarians' team to defend its title in the Cathay Pacific International Sevens in Hongkong on March 27 and 28, Peter West writes. His place goes to Eddie Butler (Pontypool and Wales). As champions, the Barbarians will be seeded top in their group. So will Australia, last year's rumers-up. This now firmly established tournament has attracted an entry of 20 teams from four continents.

four continents.

The Barbarians' party, including six internationals, is: Cive Rees (London Welsh and Wales), Cive Woodward (Leicester and England), Les Cusworth (Leicester and England), Chart Barnes (Oxford University and Newport), Nigel Melville (Wasps), John O'Driscoll (London Irish and Ireland), Peter Wheeler (Leicester and England), Butler and Simon Jones (Bath).

Scotland will be represented not by the co-optimists, who lost Scotland will be represented not by the co-optimists, who lost to Australia in the semi-final round last year, but by the Scottish Border club with a party that includes six international players. These are lim Renwick, John Rutherford, Keith Robertson and Roger Baird in he back line, and the two Paxtons. Ian from Selkirk, and Eric, from Kelso.

Steve Smith, the England cap-tain, rates himself almost certain to recover from an Achilles tendon injuty in time to play against Wales at Twickenham on Saturday, and ser a record for an England scrum half of 25 caps.

Cup run can recoup losses at the Memorial Ground combined with the 15 per cent

By David Hands

When Alan Morley, the Bristol captain, scored a my near the end of the John Player Cup tie with of the john Flayer Cup be with Liverpool on Saturday the Bristol treasurer, Arthur Holmes, turned to the Club chairman, Peter Colston, and said: "Must be worth £5,000 to us, that try ". Moments later he could have bitten his thosuse as Liverpool scored in tongue as Liverpool scored in injury time to remove Bristol from the competition and put the cap on what financially has been an unhappy season.

In Bristol they know all about money problems in sport with the spectre of Bristol City Football Club before them. There is no prospect of the rugby club going out of business but at the Memorial Ground there had been been of a count of the specific count of the specific count of the specific count in the specific c hopes of a good cup run to recoup the losses incurred when games were cancelled during December and January.

There has been, too, an imbalance in fixtures: more Saturday games are away this season than anies are away unis season than at home, and even those at home have had to be adjusted in the light of televised imernationals or the cup demands of prospective

opponents.

While he is understandably chary of putting precise figures on Bristol's deficit, Mr. Holmes on Bristol's deficit, Mr. Holmes on Bristol's deficit, Mr. Holmes on the club were some £5,000 down at the end of 1981, money which could have been made up with victory in last Saturday's with victory in last Saturday's game. In addition, next season the club will have to pay nearly 40 per rent more in rates, currently per rent more in rates, currently running at £6,000 a year; that,

Bristol feel particularly friendless.

"We rely on the social tlub to a large extent", Mr Holmes said, but even the functions and sales of drink have been litr this year by the recession and bad weather. They have recently introduced a lottery, which has produced between £1,500 and £2,000 in its early stages, and an open-air market, held on their large car park in December, brought a return of some £3,000.

Mr Holmes is aggrieved at the

forgotten.
But the doubts over the financ-

Mr Holmes is aggrieved at the VAT which clubs must pay; an average gate brings in between £400 and £500 so the loss of a fixture such as Cardiff, because of their Welsh Cup commitments -and a potential gate of £2,500matters. This month Bristol have only one home Saturday game and it is no light matter taking the team away so frequently when the hire of the coach alone may be as much as £150,

Bristol were generous in their praise of Liverpool after the game while admitting they should have made it safe early on. It is to be hoped that Liverpool did their share of drinking before returning home as their contributions.

VAT imposed by the Govern-ment on sports clubs, makes Bristol feel particularly friendless.

an ominous warning to other

the Boulevard ground.

Leigh get their reward for a magnificen, if somewhat controversial, victory against Holl Kingston Rovers with a home tie against Castleford, Castleford are

no one

Ekbalco stock soars as Sea Pigeon waits in the wings

Big race news stole the headlines at Doncaster yesterday. Royal Mail gave a superbenchistion of jumping to win the High Melton Handicap Steeplechase for Stan Mellor and is now second favourize to Grittar for the Grand National. And although Gaye Chance's three-length defeat of No Bombs in the Balmoral Hurdle shed little further light on his chance in the Champion Hurdle, Holemoor Star's victory in the Princess Royal Handicap Hurdle pointed a dramatic finger at Ekbalco In the Schwepps Gold Trophy at Newbury Ekbalco had given Holemoor Star 21lb and a beating of over four lengths. Yesterday Holemoor Star was defying a 10lb benalty for his subsequent sictor interpretation of this form makes Ekbalco a better horse had Sea Pigeon

makes Ekbako a better horse than Sea Pigeon Mellor was delighted with Royal Mail's display. "I've always told you he was a spring horse. That's why I haven't run him since the Hennessy. He could go for the Ritz Club National Hunt Handicap Steeplechase at Cheltenham, but only if the ground is not too heavy. He is jumping better than ever, but takes a lot out of himself in those conditions."

Philip Blacker, nursing heavily strapped ribs after his injury at Worcestershire a fortnight ago, was having his first ride since then. "Royal Mail's as good as ever and I can see him giving me another great ride at Aintree", he caid

eter Easterby was also sed with Father Delaney's sing in this race after the e had finished a close third, ever the champion trainer nothing new to say about Sea d nothing new to say about Sea geon. "I intended to bring the rse here to gallop after racing, it when I saw it splashed across en I saw it splashed across (hispection addines in all the sporting worcester.

stole the papers, I decided otherwise. I'll yesterday, give Sea Pigeon some more work at home and see if he shows any

remains unanswered for the time being. Another dimension has been added to this problem. For after Derring Rose's failure to win the Rendlesham Hurdle at Kempton on Saturday there is now a chance that Fred Winter's seven-year-old might miss the Champion and attempt to repeat last year's victory in the Waterford Crystal Stayers Hurdle. That would mean that John Francome might be available to partner Ekbalco if no decision is reached about Sea Pigeon in the near future. Yesterday Ekbalco was backed from 9-2 to 7-2 with all the leading firms of book-makers.

Apart from paying a tribute to Ekbalco, Holemoor Star's victory reflected immense credit not only on his own toughness and consistency but also on the skill of his trainer, Susan Morris, from Chard in Somerset. Miss Morris has now won 10 races this season all of them with Holemoor Star and Mr Moouraker. "Holemoor Star will certainly go for the championship," the trainer said, "but Mr Moonraker will only run if the ground is really holding".

Yesterday Holemoor Star narrowly beat Path of Peace with the
third horse, Apple Wine, no less
than seven lengths away third.
"That was a good run by Path of
Peace," Chris Thornton, his
trainer said. "Holemoor Star was
the only horse I was frightened
of and we are now going to take
Path of Peace to Cheltenham for
the County Handicap Hurdle."

Plumpton programme

2.0 WALLANDS HURDLE (Div. I: 4-y-o novices: £690: 2m) (7 runners)

NOOKE BEAR (B) (R De Courcey) P Mitchell 5-12-1 (See CARLAWN Oldes E Richards) H O Tieul 7-11-4 BUCK ABD WING (CARLA Pratt) A Pratt 7-11-12 BUCK PLOWING (CARLA PRATT) A PRATT 1-11-12 BUCK PLOWING (CARLA PRATT) B Wise 5-11-1 BESPEM RYBO (C) (Kennam) J Gillord 6-10-13 BOUNT TEMPLE (R Bedwell) D Morley 6-10-13

MESHOU L'ADDUR (Mrs D Payne) R Hodges 11-1 BOTTISHAM (Mrs B Simmons) W Marshall 16-10 CHARLE DAM (A Moore) A Moore 10-10 CHARLE DAM (A Moore) A Moore 10-10 FRIZZERBERT () MacNool) D Mortey 10-10 MARDUX (OV (Mrs J Freeman) Mrs J Freeman 10 MRL-STREET-BLIES (Mrs J Ridout) A Ridout 10-

.30 KYBO CHASE (Handicap: £1,362: 2m 3f 90yd) (11)

E, COOMES HURDLE (Handicap: £4,784: 212m) (16)

30 IAIN BUCHANAN CHASE (Handicap: £1,758: 3mif) (12)

3 Abo, 4 Mr Oryx, 5 Polish Count, Galloping Butler, 13-2 Aido, 8 Kes, 9 Mr Batner, 10 to Romany, 16 others.

4.00 MOUNT HARRY CHASE (Selling handicap: £715: 2m 3f 90yd)

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11-4 Avoncore, 100-50 Shacklelons Filer, 5 High Down Hill, 8 Mac, 9 Alpenatock, 10 Le Jel, 12 Primeland, The Grandson, 14 Moon Howk.

4.30 WALLANDS HURDLE (Div II: 4-y-o novices: £690: 2m) (6)

5.0 WALLANDS HURDLE (Div III: 4-y-a novices: £690; 2m) (5)

Kelso selections

2.15 Camborno Hill. 2.45 Leading Lady. 3.15 Lasobany. 3.45 The Clinonian, 4.15 Master Bluster 4.45 Earl's Brig. 5.15 Boardmans Value.

Plumpton selections

By Michael Scely

2.0 F(Ptc)3ctt. 2.50 Sarem Kybo. 3.0 Indiana Dare is speciallyy recommended. 8,30 Abo. 4.0 Le Jet. 4.20 Reales. 5.3 Haltan.

Doncaster results

2.0 (2.2) ARROALE CRASE (Sching handstap: \$1,435,21/m) C. Nawturs (8-1) 2 \$1,435,21/m) D. Goulding (11-2) 3 \$1,435,21/m) D. Goulding (11-2) 3 \$1/m 51,9 places, 13,9, 20,9 22p \$1/m 51,9 places, 13,9 22p \$1/m

Nr: The Bay Weazel No bid for the waters

Tote: Win. £2.70; places 30p, 50p, 37p

2 30 (2.38) BALLOCAL MIRCLE (£1,531.

Millon. 4, 4l. Killer Shark 6-4 fav. Chebbe
(10-1) 4th 14 fain.

A D PENERSHAM CHASE (Namons E1,050

5.0 (5.7) Askern Main Hurdle (Division 8: Tenness . £600: 2½m)

MORUM ... Linke (3-1)2 NORD N Doughly (14-1) 3

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10S Duel I: Winter or pround with any horse Sep CSF: 245 SO Tracast 1352 97 Trampoon at Newton by the Set 34, 201 Be Free 11-4 try. Lay Fast (20-1) 4th 24 can.
No. The Bey Weazel No bid for the water

3.0 (3.8) HIGH MELTON CHASE (Handsop) (2.432: 3%m)

C2,432: 3%m)

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(J Bogg), 12-11-10 P Sirchar (6-1) 1

Whiggis Gao. — Mr. N 1-fty (22-1) 2

Father Detatory — C Gram (13-1) 3

TOTE: Win, 71p; places, 24p, 25p, 22p

Dud F: £6.33 CSF, 513.88 T, 5:55.13 S

Mellor at Lambourn, Nt, nh, Corna Valley (2-1)

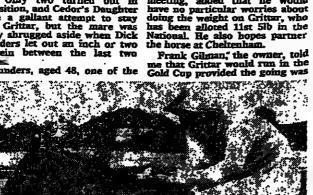
fav) 4th, 11 ran NS; Kirdos,

BOULHBOOMSN SPEET (D) (R Austen) J Gifford 6-11-10. LEX (D Sulfmm) N Celleghen 5-11-3. TWO AZIBE (M Motive) P Beily 7-11-1. BORTOR THE HATTER (F HID) M Moseon 6-10-3. BOANA ARE (BC) (Mrs D Cousing) J Jenkins 6-10-12. TOYCO (CD) (Miss W Dadswell) E Bessen 7-10-10.

RACING

Grittar picks up a sweetener en route to a crock of gold

The Grand
National favourite, Grittar, gave
a perfect exhibition of jumping
to win the Trinity Motors of
Hinckley Land-Rover Hunters
Steeplechase at Leicester yesterday. Only two turned out in meeting added that he followed the steam of the same of the sam Steeplechase at Lencester yester-day. Only two turned out in opposition, and Cedor's Daughter made a gallant attempt to stay with Grittar, but the mare was easily shrugged aside when Dick Saunders let out an inch or two





Splendid isolation: Grittar comes home alone

in the fifties — Another Rake, who full.

Grittar's defeat of two moderate opponents was by no means only a warm-up for Cheltenham and Anuree, however. Besides being the most valuable rate of the day, with £2,000 added to the stakes, it was a qualifier for the £5,000 Land-Rover Championship at the Cheltenham evening at the Cheltenham evening at the Cheltenham evening at the cheltenham evening at L-1, he beat the oddson favourite, Barry Brazier's Shannon Bridge, who, unhappily, had to be put down last week. Grittar went on, of course, to win both the Cheltenham and the Liverpool Foxhunters.

After Roman General had won the Cheltenham and the Cheltenham and the Liverpool Foxhunters.

Liverpool Forhunters.

After Roman General had won the first division of the Cranthorpe Maiden Hunter race by 20 lengths from th favourite, Alba Lee, Broderick Munro-Wilson, has owner-rider, said that the nin-year-old Spartan General gelding would probably be aimed at the Grand Military Gold Cup. "This is my Grand National replacement for Coolishall when he retires", Munro-Wilson said. He will make a third attempt at winning the National on Coolishall next month. half next month.

Lord Dawson jumped superbly
beat Mr Mellors by 10 lengths
the two and half mile Melton
unit Club Hunters' Steeple

The going was much too soft for Grittar's half-brother, Tow-tune, who was not declared for the second division of the Maiden race won by the favourite, John Thorner Land Steeple-

Bobby's Fox.
John Thorne told me that it had not yet been decided whether Cruise Missile would contest the Arkle Challenge Trophy or the Sun Alliance Steeplechase at the Festival meeting. He will have one more race before Cheltenham, probably next Saturday.

Lasobany may end run of

Peaty Sandy

Chese this afternoon. Peary Sandy, the horse from Roxbo-roughshire, whose dramatic journey through the ice and snow to win the Welsh Grand National just after Christmas hit the headlines, is set to concede plenty of weight to Lasobany and talls have

The headlines, is set to concede plenty of weight to Lasobany and blenty of the ground is heavy at Cheltenham. After Peaty Sandy had besten Fortina's Express in the Trout Chase at Newcastle, Mrs Hamilton said her horse was only half fit after being injured since cantering home at Chepstow.

Peaty Sandy meets Sole Sam on 19lbs worse terms for beating that horse by nearly 10 lengths at Newcastle, but should still francour offirm those placings. However, Lasobany whose courage and determination gained him a parrow victory in the Eider Steeplechase the following aftermoon may win this en route to tackling the Scottish Grand National Lasobany receives 25ib from Peaty Sandy and that is a great deaf of weight to concede. Michael Dickinson can land a treble at Kelso with Laading Lady, The Cliftonian and Boardman's Value. Earl's Brig one of the best point-to-pointers in the plant of the season can give a repeat performance of his recent PLYBEG ROSSANY (S Embericos) J Geford 10-71-3

MR ORY2 (F Yordey) F Yardey 9-11-0

MR ORY2 (F Yordey) F Yardey 10-11-11

MR ORY2 (F Yordey) F Yardey 10-11-15

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Plumpton inspection There will be a 7.30 am inspection at Plumpton today to see if the meeting can take place, the clerk of the course, Clifford Griggs, said: "following several heavy squally showers a precautionary inspection by stewards at 2.30 today found some waterlogging on the course." The going is heavy.

Leicester

1.45 (1.45) THRUSTERS CHASE (Hum

That's Adropolo Pictore (4-1) 3 TOTE: Win 60p places, 25p, 17p, 28p Dual (23 80 CSF 52.90 B Murro-Wison of Horsham, 20, 25t Finnegan (33-1) 4th, 18

2 45 (2 45) '«TRINITY MOTORS LANG ROVER CHASE (Qualified: hunters: £1,805 15 (3.16) MEYNELL CHASE (Handicap analours £1,450 2"/m)

BRAVEN, b g. by New Brg-Strattmen (Mrs M Haggas) 8-10-4 D Browne (2-1 TOTE: Win, 40p; places, 11p, 11p, 16p. Dual F: 23p CSF, 78p Treast: £3 87, M Dickinson at Harowood, 6l, 10l Feature (25-1) 4th, 12 ran.

3 45 (3 46) MELTON HUNT CLUB CHASE (Hunlers: £713: 2 5m) 1012 Wm, 22pr places, 10p, 16p, 12p Dual F 43p CSF, 58p O Whate at Westphon 10, 12h Jamey Fisher (25-1) 4th Hentey Fet did not pull up, but finished the course. 4 15 (4 (6) GARTHORPE CHASE (Dw It Maiden humbers, £595; 3m) Colottic — J Frances (5-1) 2

J TOTE: Win 399; places, 120, 270, 270

Dual 1,970, CSF, 21,98, M Tabe at Addenmental 13,88 by Moss (12-1) 4th, Morea a Pel (Mrs P Enriches), 5-11 - M C Record (100-30 to) 1

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Kelso programme

2.15 CRAILING HURDLE (Div. I: novices: £713; 2m) (22 runners)

5	001004	STREUGHT ROCKY (Miss Z Green) Miss Z Green 6-13-0
7	404	RAVAL CLESS R SECOND D YEARTH 5-11-4
Ė		COMMATION (Ld MacAndrew) B Williams (1 1-1 1716)
11	10	ERNE WATERWAY (J Kettlewell 6-11-4 Kettlewell 6-11-4
iś	62	LEX KELLY (TSD Engineering) Damys Smith 6-11-4
ij	0000a	MANSFORTH QUEEN (J Valks) W A Stephenson 6-11-4Mr & Mointy
21 21		MASTER'S BOY (E Collingwood-Cameron) W A Shiphenson 7-11-4 R L
2	000	MISS APOLLO (J Stamper) T Cuthbert 5-11-4
	0224-04	The state of the s
25	00	OLIVE PRESS (A MacTaggert) A MacTaggert 5-11-4
26	0	RAGE GLEN (E Stanton) M Lambert 5-11-4
27	-Oup-3	SARITLY LADY (M Redden) M Redden 7-11-4
28	0000	SECRET MINESTREE, (J Parkes) J Parkes 5-11-4 **********************************
5 0		SHINGHE (Mrs C Weightman) Mrs C Weightman 7-11-4Mr. 8 Stor
35	000.00	THELMAS SECRET (S Brown) T Barnes 5-11-4
36	4-6332	YOUNG ASH LININ (R McDonald) R McDonald 6-11-4 G Brown
37		CAVALLER SERVENTE (R Beardsworth) P Wighers 4-10-5
3		CONFORM (Mrs 8 Ward) S Leadbetter 4-10-5
36	-	COLL ARDY (H Rebanka) H Rebanks 4-10-5
		COLL AND TO PROPERTY IT FRANCE WAS A SECOND TO THE PROPERTY OF
41	00	LOTHIAN, EXPRESS (W Crawford) W Crawford 4-10-5
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2.45 MORE	BATTLE HURDLE (Handicap: £1,088; 21/m) (27	2				
4 1120-01	LEADING LADY (Mrs F Raper) M W Diskinson 7-11-7	R Earnet				
5 103022	SHALOTRA (CD) (F Lafferty Co) T Creig 6-11-6	RL				
.7 100000	MR SNOW (LIII) (W.A. Stephenson) W.A. Stephenson 7-11-4					
9 002420-	ANY SECOND (D) (W Murray) W Murray 13-11-1	Mr B Store				
10 020200	PICKMERE (D) (Triumph Properties) G Richards 6-11-0	Mr K Da				
11 0422-0p	RABRIGG (J Henderson) T Cuthbert 7-11-0	P (Chear				
12 043120	NODANA (CD) (Mrs M Campbell) T Craig 6-10-18	C Haw				
	CANTY'S BRIG (D Thomson) D Thomson 9-10-11	/ /				
18 214400	BEAU BRIGG (D) (Mas A South) R Cross 9-10-7	Ales A Cros				
19- 20/0300	DOJANOLA (K Witton) W Storey 6-10-0					
21 1404pf	CONCANNAN (Mrs. K Palmer) M Lambert 6-11-8	D Dutk				
22 1244/	HOLLY TWIST (J Dixon) J Dixon 10-10-6					
24 0400p1	AUDIT (BC) (J Parkes) J Parkes 4-10-4 (4 es)	M Peppi				
26 330030						
27 204000	CARAT GOLD (G Dand) C Lamb 6-1G-2	\$ P Gre				
25 25-0110	(OBCOY (C) (W Stephenson) C Bell 6-10-1	P_T				
29 01304p	TOONFIT BRIG (G Resilson) G Herilson 9-10-1					
30 022110	GEORDIE LAD (C) (R Baker) Denys Stath 4-10-1 (4 ax)	G G				
31 0000-00	BE FRIENDLY TOO (Leisure Racing) FI Fisher 8-10-0	Tueb				
32 210/000	YELLOW STAR (R Wilson) T Burnes 9-10-0					
33 00333/0	TOUSSAC (A Stephenson) A Stephenson 7-10-0	subdict 's				
55 040103	SPIDER PEARL (J Hurst) J Hurst 7-10-0					
30 DipOCp/	LIM SLIPPER (D) (M Reddyr) M Redden 9-10-0					
	CAMDEN (CD) (R McDoneld) R McDoneld 8-10-0					
4 Leading Lady, 5 Statetra, 6 Apdit, Any Second, 8 Kibosy, Georgie Lad, 10 Node: Pickmore, 12 Seau Brigg, 16 Others.						

3.15 ARPAL CONQUEST CHASE (Hendicap: \$2,712: 31/m) (15)

1	231111	PEATY SANDY (C) (Ars Hamilton) Miss H Hamilton 8-11-13 (Sex)
		W-TGD:
	311/p-0	THE PENCER (C) (Jones) W A Bischenson 10-10-12
ē		SOLO SAM (C,O) (Mrs Fl Brewin) R Brewin 10-10-8 (Sax):
8	0-62211	LASOBANY (J Coveri) C Belt 9-10-2 (Bex)
7	424-040	THREE TO ONE (C) (J Manners) K Oliver 11-10-0
8	115410	HELLO DANOY (D) (J Thompson) G Richards 8-10-0
1	043600	LAAKEN (B Howard) E Alaton 7-10-0
5	333p/p-	KING CON (C) (G Renitson) G Renitson 13-10-0Mr P Crao
3	120440	WHAT A COUP (C) (T Defoutly) T Defoutly 7-10-0
6	1444-00	MASTER MARMADUKE (R: Jeffreye) C Bell 9-10-0
5	3442/00	COPARU (R. Jackson) T Rayres 12-10-0
e.	100104	COPARU (R Jackson) T Eurnes 12-10-0
5	10000m	BIACKSOME (G Joy) R Woodhouse 9-10-0
	030140	APPAL GLIDER (C) (G Ades) W Fairgrieve 8-10-0
ī		AUPAL GLIDER (C) (6 Adea) W Pargrieve 8-10-0 BURGUNDY SEAU (C) (like D Thomson) Mrs D Thomson 11-10-0
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.45	CRAIL	ING HURDLE (Div II: novices £692: 2m) (22)
1	=00	AEGEAN SEAMAN (J. Hurst) J. Hurst 5-11-4
2	0000	BEWERLEY (K Chambers) M Redden 9-11-4
ā	, ,	ARPOGE OF ISLA (LI-Cody W Crawford) W Crawford 8-11-4
ě		COLAMEY (Mrs. R Browles) R Brewle 7-11-4
7	00	CROSS MASTER (Twycross Food Centre) 7 88 5-11-4 agent to appear P C
á	.0030	DEREK'S BAY (T Barron) T Berron 5-11-4
1Ö	0	GAY GALLIARD (Mrs F Walton) F Walton 5-11-4
12	000	
13		MELODY MOON (D Curr) Danys Smith 7-11-4
15	00000	MORTHERM EDITION (R Oxley) W A Stephenson 6-11-4
18		PORTMADOC (F Scotto) W A Stephenson 5-11-4
23	00	SPANIEL BYG SAMBON Over J Weggold N Waggott 2-11-4 JAF N Wagget J
25	00	STRANGE KIT (T Craig) T Craig 7-11-4
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28		TURTLETON IR McDonald 5-11-4
29	0-00000	VERONICA CRESSIDA (Miss W Simpson) W Grawlord 8-11-4Mr T G
39 30 32	000-00	VILTOP (Miss Z Green) Miss Z Green 7-11-4
32	200000	WILLERBY (W Burns) T Craig 5-11-4A B
34	201	THE CLIFTONIAN (CO) (D Peters) M W Dickinson 4-11-1C P
36	- 01	BORDER ARTIST (J Hammond) R Fisher 4-10-5 0
36		NAUTIC STAR (J Wason) J Wason 4-10-5 A String
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BASKETBALL

Money is key to Palmer's future

By Nicholas Harking
Danny Palmer, coach of the new
National League champions Crystal Palace, may shortly agree to a
three-year contract with the club
to end speculation that he might
be joining Cologne, the German
champions, or return to his
American homeland as coach of
the University of Southern
California team.

The 32-year coach will not sign
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ing Channel Four or by the chub finding a sponsor or both. "I have the possibilities of making a lot of money and I'm not cheap." Palmer said. "But I want to stay and it appears that they want me to carry on."

By asking Palmer to continue, Palace have displayed an obvious appreciation of his methods, albeit a somewhat controversial policy, which was, however, completely vindicated over the weekend by the club's sixth title success.

Palmer, from Detroit, only joined Palace last summer ofter spending five years as player-coach with another top German

coach with another top German club ASC Goetingen. To the surprise of both Palace players and those of other clubs he wasted no time implementing a strategy that, if unpopular with some, was a sure way of giving the club's juniors experience that the club's juniors experience that ultimately proved so vital. Rythm, Palmer achkowledges, was lost with his constant substitutions but only at the expense of giving those younger players, Kolton Lee, Trevor Anderson, Richard Rudd and Mike Beth the court time that was so invaluable.

Two injuries in the last half of the season to Alton Byrd, Palace's brilliant guard, and the hepatitis which kept Bob Roma, their centre out of the last four games, forced him to put more faith in youngsters, — who fortunately were all able to respond to the challenge because they had done it all before.

"I was under no pressure from

The result had far-reaching effects. Keith Bannon, coach of Sunderland's rivals for a Wembley place. Fiat Birmingham, whose home game with Talbot Guildford began 90 minutes later, took his frustration out on the officials once he heard the score and was disqualified. Birmingham

"I was under no pressure from the management", Falmer said, "They made it clear that anything we won would be an extra. They backed thy philos-ophy 100 per cent. I sacrificed winning games by 30 or 40 point margins to give youngsters experience."

Much of the pressure stems from Palace's employment of a full-court press which is so demanding that it requires adequate reserves. One advantage of the policy was explained by Paul Stimpson, who shares the play-making duties with Byrd. "Nobody likes coming off, but if you know you are about to be replaced, you can afford to play that much harder", he said. Dan Lloyd, Palace's captain said: "All it means is that an adjustment

VOLLEYBALL

to find one

Spark in final

Speedwell Rucanor from Bristol, the holders, crashed out of the Mikasa Cup semi-finals in

Spark took the first two sets, 15-2, 15-13, before Speedwell, the current league leaders, won ird to stay in the ma

15-5. Spark were not to be denied, and took the fourth set and the match, 15-13, to spring the main upset of the tourns-

it's been worth it. We've won the league."
What pleased Palace most of all was that in the final weekend of the season they won the title with no need of Solent's assistance. By losing surprisingly 103 — 101 at home to Sunderland on Saturday, Solent's last hopes disappeared, but Palace followed up their 107 — 86 win at Whithread Manchester, in which Jeremich (21 points) was their top scorer, with a relaxed 69 — 66 success at John Carr Doncaster. ICE HOCKEY

Adam, apple of his eye

Paul Philp might be a loser in one respect, his team Solent Stars having conceded the National League title to Crystal Palace, but he has a future winner on his hands in Adam. Philp's three-year-old son accompanies his father to most

Philip's three-year-old son accompanies his father to most games and has picked up a few hints judging from his dexterous handling. Solent's last chance of winning the league disappeared on Saturday when they lost their unbeaten home record, going down 103-101 in overtime to Sunderland, who are assured of a place in the national championship playoffs at Wembley on March 12 and 13 when they will be defending their title. They meet Solent again in the semi-final.

still won 90-78 but it was too late. On Sunday Solent completed their season before the second highest National League crowd, 2,700, who watched their 130-86 success at Brighton, where Johnson took his weekend aggregate to 62 points and Pemberton to 35. Jenkins (31 points) and Turpie (29) were Brighton's top marksmen. Cornelius (28) was Sunderland's top scorer the previous night.

Rockets certain | Players' dispute might cost Panthers the title

The English National League title is slipping from Nottingbam Panthers' grasp. After losing heavily in Whitley Bey two weeks \$20, they returned to the north-

They will meet Granwood Rockets, of Nottingham, in the final in London on May 2. It will be Granwood's first final appearance, well-earned by their 3—0 (15—10, 15—11, 15—13) defeat of Weymouth Rembrandt in Nottingham on Saturday. The next day the two teams met in the league, and the scoreline was reversed. blade. Whitley Warriors moved above Nottingham into second place after their 9-4 win over Altrincham Aces on Sunday. Vail and Gould scored two apiece for the winners. Whitley now appear to hold the key to the championship since their two remaining games.

In Scotland, in the women's section of the Royal Bank national league, Telford, the leaders, met their nearest rivals, Prestwick Dodds, and although Dodds took the first set, Telford won 3—1 to stay well on course to retaining their title. since their two remaining games are at Streatham and Billingham, who are both still very much in contention. Whitburn beat Inverciyee 3-0

streatham Redskins strangthened their position in two
competitions over the weekend.
They had some difficulty adding
to their string of victories in the
English League South at Altrincham, where Stefan scored both
their goals; but encountered
fewer problems at home to Avon
Arrows, where Stefan added five
goals in a 10-2 win. The victory
gives them home advantage in the
Ben Truman Cup final on May 2.
Southampton Vikings' run of while in the men's section MIM, the reigning champions and current leaders, beat Paisley 3-0, which pushes Paisley farther into relegation trouble. Bellshill Cardinals lost to Whitburn, only their second win of the season, 3-1. Whitburn go above Paisley at the bottom, and are only three points behind Eelishill.

ago, they returned to the northess on Saturday and went down to Billingham Bombers. 3-4. Having recently released two of their key players. Andison and McClinchey, Nottingham may find that their dispute with the club has cost them the title.

Once again much of the damage was done in the first period. Hubbard and Phillips scored twice each as Billingham took a 4-1 lead. Hubbard went on to get four goals and Phillips to get a rare penalty for using a stick with too much curve on the blads.

draw with Fife Flyers.

Durham Wasps were down 8-6 before drawing at Murrayfield, with the belp of three goals from Keirl. Three goals from Halpin, who was playing as a guest, helped Ayr Bruins beat Toronto Airport Raiders 11-7 on Sunday. AITPORT KAIGETS. 11-7 OR Standary.

ENGLISH NATIONAL LEAGUE: Billingham 8, Nothingham 4, Whitley 9, Abrincham 4. English League North: Blackpool 10, Gricobey 8, English League South: Richmond 9, Southempton 2; Sollinali 4, Cambridge 1; Abrincham 1, Struethem 2, Ben Trussen Capt Streethem 10, Avon 2. Southen League Glasgow 7, File 7. Other games: Glasgow 14, Youndo Airport 13; Ayr 11, Turento Airport 7 Myrraydeld 8, Outham 8.

Canada's four races to their string of victories in the English League South at Altrincham, where Stefan scored both their goals; but encountered fewer problems at home to Avon Arrows, where Stefan added five goals in a 10-2 win. The victory gives them home advantage in the 1982-1983 season. A men's World Cup downhill race and a giant slalom will be at Lake Louise, Alta on March 12 and 13. The venue for a women's World Cup downhill and super giant slalom has yet to be determined.—AP.

GOLF .

Bean wins after objection fails

From John Ballantine, Miami, March 1 Controversy always makes bigger news in sport than straight competition. There was plenty of it in the closing stages of the Doral Eastern Open here, won by



Tournament Players' Association officials discussed the situation. Had Bean been penalized two strokes his resulting total of 280 instead of 278 meant he would have had to give way to the three runners up who would then have had to go out and engage in "sudden death". Jack Tothill, the tour director,

Orlick answered: "No penalty, Don't worry about it. Carry on". Bean did. Although he dropped a stroke at that hole and at the next three, finishing have a swe, has about 18 years.

Jack Totbill, the tour director, decided there had been no infraction and Bean's victory stood. It was the first time a winner had been under threat since Tom Watson was penalized at the 1980 Tournament of Champions for instructing his partner Lee Travino that he thought he had too wide a stance. shought he had too wide a stance.

Severiano Ballesteros's 68 for 283, his best total ever at his "home" club, won him £4,400 for tenth place. Nick Faldo could have jomed him; but after grittly holding on to par for eight of his last nine holes, three-putted the last green from 18 feet finally missing a four-footer to win £3,340. His performance moved him about 15 places up the money list.

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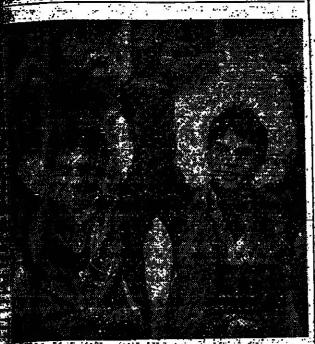
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rule 17. That forbids a player "improving his line of play, or the area of his intended swing, by moving, bending or breaking anything. growing" Later some televiowers telephoned to say Bean had dislodged some leaves.

Fortunately for the troubled player Warren Orlick, a past president of the USPGA and who is an experienced rules official had been standing only five yards behind the incident. Bean asked him: "Have I done anything wrong? If there is any doubt penaltize me".



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Street fighters with police protection

By Srikumar Sen, Boxing Correspondent

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nan if he is to win the world little.

Two tough youngsters, Kelvin Smart and Keith Wallace, the Garity Street and Algard Solife is going to ger more difficult for him. Avelag has no objection to coming to Wessberg on May 4 to put his title at stake. He clearly believes Cipriano and Adrian, who has that if Juan Diaz, who was maraked, could land the knock out blow, so can he.

So Magri, after a good rest and becoming a father, needs a warm-up. That is why come here for the Micky Duff and Mike Barrett show tonight at the Albert Hall. But Arceola, a Los Angeles-based Mexican, does not see it quite like that. For him it is a chance to gain recognition. It does not matter that Magri, is a full flyweight and he only a mini-fly", as his trainer-mainer Alfonder of gain recognition. It does not matter that Magri is a full flyweight and he only a fighter and a singger but my kid's a real street brawler and he will go for Magri" he said.

When I reminded Al Stankie was flattened by Magri in one more monter Don Chargin sent to Messrs Duff and Barrett for Magri, Enrique Castro, ou what is now known as the night of the Tijuana Tumblers, was flattened by Magri in one round, whereas his man flook world champions tomorrow."

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ROWING

Cambridge improve but Oxford mystify

It was almost an imperial occasion this weekend when Cambridge University met the British National eight. Mr Peter Com. QC, Henley's chief in white flannels, blazer and tie with red and white flags climbed on board the press launch on Saturday to officiate.

Coni could be described as a pluralist. Besides being Henier's overlord be is, among other things, chairman of the
ARA international rowing committee. He informed me
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He also proved something of a realist. The national eight has, as it now stands, a crew who already between them have wan three gold, 11 silver and three bronze medals in Olympic and world championships. Cambridge's crop now consists of five freshmen, one film and two gold oarsmen, none of whom have had a single victory between them on the Punney to Mortlake course.

Coni, much to the national eight's chaggin, gave Cambridge most bend advantages and once even advized their coxswain how he mitht make best of the idde. On Saturday cambridge went through one moment of panic, steadded in the and rowed in the end with great character. The mational eight this time demanded a fair trial — two almost straight four-minute rows below Kew Bridge with crews changing stations each time. The national eight this time and cover the internationals took over four minutes was two lengths. In one particularly, good row by Cambridge it was much less than half a length.

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Hickstead abowjumping season received a f40,000 boost yesterdin but at heavy cost to the Candi International Show.

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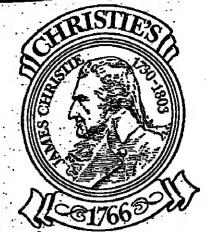
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3 55 Play School. For the under fives (shown

230 Cartoon: Pixie and Dixie in High Jinks (r).

Jackanory. Bernard Holley reads part two.

440 Animal Magic presented by Johnny Morris and Terry Nutkins. With their special quest Toyan they meet Toyan the lion-tailed

5.10 Grange Hill Part 17 of the school drama

series and there is a collection to buy something to take to Roland in hospital.

5.40 News with Moira Stuart, 6.00 South East at

6.25 Nationwide introduced by David Dimbleby

6.55 Cartoon: Bugs Bunny to Rabbit Transit.

7.05 Doctor Who. Part two of Black Orchid.

7.39 A Question of Sport with Willie Carson and

8.00 Legacy of Murder starring Dick Emery. A lighthearted look at the work of a seedy detective. Part three: Who Do You VonDoo?

8.35 Taxi. Comedy series about a New York Cab

9.25 Play: Seel by Bertol Brecht starring David
Bourie in the title role. This was Breekt's

10.30 Everyman: Unearthly Powers. A film that

Bowie in the title role. This was Brecht's first play and it is set in Germany during the

years preceding World War One. Beat is an amoral itinerant singer with a love of nature and the universe but cares nothing for the human race except himself which leads to a

tooks at the resurgence of the supernatural to British religion and the efforts that are being made to reproduce states of religious trance. The programme examines the

nature of trances, detailing recent research that has indentified a substance in humans which creates euphoric states.

11.20 Conversation. In the first of three weekly

programmes Sue Lawley takes to Profesion Craft, Professor of Obstetrics and

Gynaecology at the Royal Free Hospital,

Hampsteed, and an expert on test-tube

Company and its drivers.

9.00 News with John Humphrys."

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eartier on BBC 2).

5.05 John Craven's Newsround

and Frank Bough.

6.40 Open University: Electronic Design and Signals; 7.05 Motion: Newton's Laws; 7,30 Handicapped in the Community; 7.55 Closedown; 11.00 Play School: 11.25 Close 3.55 The Old Boy Network: Leslie



Humphrey Bogart as Sam Spade (BBC 2 6.50pm)

5.10 Tanzania: Education for Self-Relance. Part one of an Open University production (r).

5:40' Laurel and Hardy in Perfect

8.50 Film: The Maltese Falcon

8.30 Russell Harty. Among his

6.00 The Waltons. Series about the

good-living folk of Walton's

(1941) starring Humphrey Bogart as Sam Spade the private eye searching for a priceless statuette in

competition with the ruthless Kasper Gutman (Sydney

guests are country and wester guests are country and wester singer Emmylou Harris and Humphrey Bogert look-alike, Kenny Wymark;

9.00 Pot Black 82. Batting for a place in the sentifinal tonight are Doug Mountjoy, last year's beaten World Champion finalist

and former World Amateur champion, David Taylor.

9.25 One Man and his Dog. The first

One Man and his bog, the his semi-final in the international Sheepdog Singles Championship is between Effor Owen of Wales and England's

Tonicht also sees the start of the brace championship when William Murphy of Ireland

meets Scotland's Geoff

10.05 The Barbican. On the eve of its

inst minute look at the

opening by Her Majesty the Queen, Richard Baker takes a

treet). Directed by John

Day" (1929).

6.45 News with subtitles.

9.35 For Schools: The roles of the sexes; 9.53
Sports reporting; 10.16 Maths for seven and eight
year olds; 10.33 The young as seen by the media;
11.03 Basic maths; 11.22 The different forms of
rell transport; 11.39 The historical sights of Paris;
12.00 Button Moon: Rocket adventures for the 12.00 Batton Moore: Rocket adventures for the very young: 12.10 Lets Pretand: For the young: the making of a pisy; 12.30 The Sullivans: Drama series about a Melbourne family during World War Two; 1.00 News; 1.20 Thannes News with Robin Houston; 1.30 Talks the High Road. Drama series set in the highland estate of Glenderroch; 2.00 After Noon Pias. A review of the month's news by Antony Howard and Peregrine Worsthome. Introduced by Mavia Nicolson and Trevor Hyett; 2.45 The Sandbagoers: Soy series starring Roy. 2.45 The Sandbaggers. Spy series starring Roy Marsden as department boss, Nell Burnside; (r) 3.45 Welcome Back, Kottar. American high school comedy starring Gabe Kaplan and John

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4.35 Seapower. The Lord Hill-4.15 Cartoon: Dr Snuggles (r). Norton talks about the role of the Gunboat (r). 4.20 On Safari. Studio jungle entertainment presented by Christopher Biggins and 5.05 Gillian Tingay (harp) plays La Source by Hasselmans (r).

Gillian Taylforth. Their guest is Una Stubbs 4.45 CB TV - Channel 14. News views and ideas for young people. 5.15 Emmerdale Farm. Dolly Skilbeck has difficulty in running the farm while the 5.45 News, 8.00 Thames News. 6.20 Help! Viv Taylor Gee with news of the

walking suitcase.
6.30 Crossroads. Carole Sands is invited to spend the evening with the Banks. 6.55 Reporting London. The latest news of events in the capital from Dennis Toulty. 7.30 Max Bygraves — Side by Side — with Eric Sylice. Mr Bygraves with another half hour of indulgent music and comedy.

8.00 The Glamour Girls. Comedy series set in a sales promotion company. Starring Brigit . Forsyth and Sally Watts.

9.00 Play: A Voyage Round My Father by John

Mortimer and starring Laurence Ofivie Alan Bales and Elizabeth Sellars. An

autobiographical play in honour of the author's father, Clifford, a barrister who

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specialised in divorce cases who confinued to practice even after he became blind. A

delightful play packed full with Clifford's acerbic and witty comments on the frailty of

highlights of the second day in the week long tournament. Among those competing

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Sally Field, about her life and career.

Close with Wynford Vaughan Thomas

talking about the delights of being Welsh.

today are former world champion; Cliff Thorburn and David Taylor who reached the final of this tournament last year.

8.30 Top of the World. Three hopefuls in London, Miami and Sydney compete in a contest of general knowledge presented by Esmann Andrews.

10.30-10.45 Listen with Mother 11.00-12.00 For Schools 2.00-3.00 For Schools 11.00 Study on 4. For Librarians: Part three 6.0 News Briefing. 6.10 Farming Today. 6.25 Shipping Forecast. 6.30 Today. 6.33 Yesterday in Parliament. Special Communities - clai Needs (r) 11.30-12.10 9.00 News. 9.05 Tuesday Call. 10.00 News.
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10.03 Delly Service.
10.45 Morning Story: "Franchise
Day" by Robert Faldey. 11.00 News. 11.05 Thirty Minute Theatre: "Sleep-ing Dogs" by Geoff Nicholson. 11.35 Wicine. 12.00 News, 12.02 You and Yours. 12.27 Quote ...Unquote† . 1.00 The World at One: News. 1.40 The Archer's. 1.40 The Archers.
2.00 News.
2.02 Woman's Hour.
2.00 News.
3.02 Bleak House by Charles Dickens (part 4).†
4.00 Ebdon's England. John Ebdon reflects on the British.
4.15 Town Teacher. A schame to involve youngsters in their colourful heritage.
4.45 Story Time: "Welstr Fargo" by Harry Secombe (7).
5.00 News magazine. 6.00 The Six o'Clock News including Financial Report. 5.30 Brain of Britain 1982.† 6.30 Brain of British 1962.7
7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Medicine Now.
7.50 Animal Language.†
6.20 Take a Message to the Moon:
Peter Paterson reports on the
Navajo Indians.
9.05 In Touch. Magazine for the 9.05 in Touch. Magazine for the bind.
9.30 Kaleidoscope.
10.00 The World Tonight: News.
10.30 Semi-Circles (new series) with Paule Wilcox and David Wood.
11.00 A Book of Beditine: A Confederacy of Dunces by John Kennedy Toole (7).
11.15 The Finencial World Tonight.
11.30 Today in Parliament.
12.00 News: Weether Report; Forecast.

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8.00 News.
8.05 Morning Concert (continued)
Ravel, Liszt, Offenbach (mono),
Janacek, records. 9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Composer (Beethough; jrecords; †
10.00 Song Recital Schubert, Debussy, Verdl; †
10.40 Finnish Quartets String Quartet recital: Usko Menlainen, Sibe-11.35. Music for Flute Recital: Jolivet, Rousel, Enesco, Martinu.† 12.10 BBC Welsh Symphony Orches-tra Concert. Part 1: Brahms.† 1.05 Six Continents. 1.25 BBC Welsh Symphony Orches-1.35 SK Comments.
1.25 SBC Wetch Symphony Orchestra. Part 2: Dvorak.†
2.15 John Sheppard (Rockel by the Clerkes of Oxenford).†
3.0 Dutilicux and Bartok Piano recital.†
3.40 BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra Concert: Spohr, Elgar.†
4.25 Jazz Torfan; chestra Concert: Spohr, Elgar.†
4.25 Jazz Todey.†
4.55 Neva.
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure.†
7.00 The Composed Voice. Talk by Eric Griffiths on poetry.
8.00 A Brahms Concert direct from the Royal Festival Hall, London. Part 1.†
8.20° So My Particular Friend. Second of five programmes hased on the letters of Samuel Pepys and John Evelyn.
8.40° A Brahms Concert. Part 2.†
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6.35-6.55 English Economic
History 11.20pm Mathematics!
Statistics 11.40 The Digital
Computer 12.00 Gaudi's Archifecture and Design 12.20-

10.25 Britten, String Quartet recital.†
11.00 News.

5.6 Ray Moore;† 7.30 Terry Wogen.† 10.0 Jimmy Young.† 12.0 Gloria Hunniford, Including 1.45 Huniford, Including 1.45
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2.45, 3.45 Sports Desk.† 4.0 David
Hamilton, including 4.45 Sports Desk.†
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Templemore Band.† 8.30 The Organist
Entertains†; 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.0 Che Man's Variety with Vince Hilt.
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Midnight, Including 12.0 Midnight
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Shella Tracy, † 2.0-5.0 You and the
Night and the Music with Charles
Nove. † Radio 1

5.0 As Radio 2. 7.0 Mike Read. 9.0 Simon Bates. 11,30 Dave Lee Travis, including 12.30 Newsbeat, 12.45 Top 40 Diecs. 2.0 Paul Burnett. 3.30 Steve Wright. S. O Andy Peebles, including 5.0-5.30 The Record Race; 5.30 5.0-5.30 The Necord Hace; 5.30 Newsbeat; 6.5 Top 40 Singles Chart. 7.0 Talkabout: Young people meel to discuss their views. 8.0 David Jensen. 10.0 John Peel.† 12.0 midnight Close.

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the rare pleasure of the sight of Laurence Olivier on the sr ecreen. He plays Ciffiord, the blind berrister father of the play's author, John Mortimer. Cifford is an demanding but with a capacity to command affection — at least fro his wite and son. He abhorred visitors and used to scuttle away to the depths of his huge garden at the light sound of intrusion — often with deprived when he was not to be comic results. His wife is invincty played by Elizabeth Sellars. She-became his eyes after he lost his eight in a garden accident reading reports to him on his way to court and describing the blaze of colour in his garden. Young John's schooldays are an extremely humorous episode with an excellent performance from Michael Aktridge

CHOICE as the zany headmaster. Alan Bates is the adult John, destined to five in

ast, indoors for the next few Tuesdays.

A FRESH START is the subject

A FRESH START is the subject of this morning's TUESDAY CALL. (Radio 4 9.05am) the weekly phone in programme that gives listeners the chance to air their views or to learn something to their advantage. Today the subject is adult education, in the studio are three experts: Andrew Pates, co-author of Second Chances for Adults; Ann Risman of the Workers' Educational Association; and Eddle Burch, Staff

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Scotland. 11:20-12.10am Omnibus.
12.10am News and weather. Northern
Ireland 10:35en-11:00 For Schools:
Ulster in Focus. 12.57pen-1.00 Croseroads. 6.00 Scotland Today, with John Toye, 6.20 Job Spot. 6.30 What's Your Problem? 7.00-7.30 Take the High Road. 12.00 Late Call. 12.05 GRAMPIAN

Uteler in Pocum. 12.57pm-1.00 Northern Ireland News. 3.53-3.55 Northern Ireland News. 6.00-5.25 Northern Ireland News. 6.00-5.25 As Themes except: Sterts 9.30 am-9.35 First Thing. 12.30 pm-1.00 Paint Along With Nancy, 1.20-1.30 News. 3.45-4.15 Does the Team Think? with Tim Brooks-Taylor. 6.00 North Tonight. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00-7.30 Two of Us. 12.00 News. 12.05 am Scene Around Stx. 11.50 News and weather. England 6.00pm-6.25 Regional News Magazines. 11.55

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Brooke-Taylor, 1.20-1.30 News. 3.454.15 Calender. 5.15-5.45 Bitteon."
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Farm. 12.00 News at Bedlin As Thames except: 12.30 pm-1.00 Gardening Time, 1.20-1.30 News, 3.45-4.15 Does the Team Trink? with Tim Brooke-Taylor, 6.00 About Anglie, 6.35 Crosmoads, 7.00-7.30 Peterborough Festival of Country Music, 12.00 Jazz; Kenny Baker and Bon Lusher, 12.30 am Tuesday Topic. CHANNEL

As Thames except: 12.30 pm-1.00 Bygones, 1.20-1.30 News, 3.45-4.15 Square One, 5.20-5.45 Crossroeds, 6.00 Channel Report, 6.30 Does the Team Think? 7.00-7.30 Private

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News. 3.45-4.15 Does the Team
Think? with Tim Brooke-Taylor. 5.15
Radio. 5.30-5.45 Coast to Coast, 6.00
Coast to Coast, 6.35 Crossroads,
7.00-7.50 Real World: New series on
how consumers are affected by the
revolution in technology, 12.00
Entertainers: Prelude and their songs,
12.30 ser Company, Closedown,

CENTRAL

As Thames except: 12.30 pm-1.00 Young Doctors, 1.20-1.30 News, 3.45-4.15 Does the Team Think? chaired by Tim Brooke-Taylor, 5.15-5.45 Radio, 6.00 Crossroads, 6.25 News, 7.00-7.30 Emmerdale Ferm, 12.00 News, 12.05 an Jazz and Blues; Koko Taylor, 12.35 Closedown.

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Ferm. 12.00 News. 12.03 am

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GRANADA

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Crossroads, 6.30 Granada Reports. 7.00-7.30 Emmerdale Farm. 12.00 Late night from two, 12.30 am

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As Thames except: 12.30 pm-1.00

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Good Word, 9.30-9.35 News, 1.25 Good Worth, 9:30-9:35 News. 1-20 pm-1-30 News, Lockaround. 3-45-4.15 Riordens. 5,15-5.45 Survival. 6.00 News. 6.02 Crossroads. 5.25 Northern Inc. 7-20-7-30 Emmerdisis Farm. 12.00 Seing With God. 12.05 am

WHAT THE SYMBOLS MEAN: \ STEREO IN BLACK AND WHITE. (7) REPEAT

Burke's Peerage' plot case

The promise of an updated, revised and heavily promoted adition of the book was offered so persuasively to advertisers that they parted with nearly £30,000 before updivision the court was publication, the court was told. But all they were setting for their money was a fourth reprint with sup-plement of the 1970 edition,

Laurence Olivier as Clifford Mortaner (TV 9.00pm)

it was alleged.

Mr David Haring, the company's manager, a former north London coin dealer, of Nottingham Place, Westminster, and Mr Boyd Mayover, a salesman of The Guild House, Croxley Green, Herts, both aged 26, both deny conspiring with other to obtain money by deception through various means concerning the publishing of Burke's Peerage.

Mr Julian Bevan, prosecutmg, said Burke's Peerage Ltd was bought in January 1980

From October 1979 on-wards a team of salesmen were engaged in the Burlington Street offices to learn a set sales "pitch" offering single-page advertisements for £784 and double for £1,460. The matter came to light when Mr Barry Penrose of The Sunday Times joined the staff for one morning and the staff for one morning and then he and a colleague. Mr Colin Simpson, compiled an article published on July 6, 1980 which, said Mr Bevan, was an allegation of sharp practice. The police were called in and the two were arrested in September, 1980.

Burke's Peerage. Mr Bevan said, was a "massive work — 3,000 pages enormously detailed — it might be called a sort of aristocratic Roots". It

sort of aristocratic Roots". It

Burke's Peerage, that bible by the Baron Frederick Van of the upper classes, has Fallandt, formerly of the become the subject of conspiring due Nina and Frederick van end, the editor five years alone, or two and a half with an assistant, to produce and knightbridge Crown Court.

The promise of an updated, revised and heavily promoted selfcion of the heavy was financed up to grant the heavy was financed up to the heavy tising potential.

The defendants were in-

The defendants were involved in selling space for what was in fact a reprint, but the impression they gave was that it would be a new

"If that was the in pression, it was a lie. The impression they deliberately created was that their book was to be sold on the wave of a major promotion in this country, America, Europe and the Middle East, implying that it was to be printed on a massive scale. That was equally a lie".

Finally, an impression was

Finally, an impression was given that the advertising accepted would be carefully selected by a research depart. ment and was to be limited and exclusive.

The case, which is expected to last three weeks, was made quite clear to pected to last three week Haring that a new edition was adjourned until today.

Cockroach

problem

in hospital

From Our Correspondent

The area health administrator for west Berkshire

admitted yesterday that his

hospital had cockroaches in

the kitchen and ants in the

same problem. Mr Stewart Hinder, agree

that a health inspector had

reported cockroaches in the

kitchens at the hospital in Reading, after an outbreak of

food poisoning. He said: "these pests come

kitchens and a species of little red ant in the operation

Mr Hinder said the prob-

the food poisoning outbreak,

which affected two nurses and four mothers in the

However, he agreed that the health officer's investi-

gation had found chicken not

together at the wrong tem-

hospital's maternity unit.

theatres."

challenge for Britons

By Ronald Faux

South face of Xixabangma, at 26,398ft the highest mountain wholly situated in China.
That attempt will be led by Dong Scott, aged 40, of Nottingham and its success would put British climbers firmly in the fore front of Himalayan exteditions. The terday: "It will be the smallest expedition ever to attempt such a high, serious and remote face. The nearest folk to us will be the lads on

With Mr Scott will be Paul

Braithwaite, aged 35, Roger
Baxter-Jones; aged 31, Alex
MacIntyre, aged 28, Georges
Bettembourg, aged 32, and
Nick Prescott, aged 30. operating theatre, but said that probably every other kospital in Britain faced the

eering, moving as fast as possible and with no fixed ropes to safeguard the hard bits; it will be straight up from the flowers to the summit," Mr Scott reflected. The usual sort of expedition with camps, oxygen and ropes you can slide down lem had nothing to do with

to safety seem very unsatis-factory compared with this pure Alpine type of cimbing in the Himalayas. The pay-off from living so alone with your fears utterly extended is somthing else."

He has climbed 12 Himalayan summits, including

Kancheninga.

Inland Revenue Commis v Exxon Corporation Before Mr Justice Goulding

ANGLIA

Two British mountaineer

[Judgment delivered March 1]

The double taxation relief provisions operating between the United States and the United Kingdom did not exempt from United Kingdom income tax a dividend paid to a United States corporation by a subsidiary if that subsidiary was a United States corporation by a subsidiary if that subsidiary was a United States corporation but was resident in the United Kingdom:

Article XV of the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (USA) Order 1946 (SR & 0 1946 No 1327), as amended by the 1966 Order of the same name (SI 1185), contained a tax exemption for such dividends but, properly construed, excluded from that exemption dividends paid by a United States corporation resident in the United Kingdom to its United States parent.

Mr Justice Goulding so held in the Chancery Division in allowing an appeal by the Crown from a decision of the special commissioners that had upheld a claim by Exxon Corporation for repsyment of United Kingdom income tax of £1,070,000 that had been deduced from a dividend paid to it in 1973 by Esso Holding Co UK Inc.

Esso Holdings, a wholly-owned

an entry clearance for the purpose, the decision of the immigration officer that he did not qualify for entry under any provision of the immigration Rules (HC 394) was held to be

The came to England again in 1971, and subsequently married am English woman. There was a divorce in 1976. A third marriage was dissolved in 1978. In 1975 he had again returned to England and left in 1979 after a conviction at the Central for judicial review

upheld.

But the Crown had an alternative and new argument outside the sphere of debate in the Strathalmond case. It had been adumbrated in the last party except where the recipient been adumbrated in the last is a citizen, resident, or corporation of that other contracting judgment in Avery Jones v Inland party. This exemption shall not apply if the corporation paying All ER 898). such dividend or interest is a It was a passage highly obiter resident of the other contracting of their quality, because the indeed the country of the

party."

Mr Michael Nolan, QC and Mr
Robert Carawath for the Crown;
Mr D. C. Potter, QC and Mr
Stephen Allcock for Exxon.

MR JUSTICE GOULDING said
that the quastion was whather the question was whather Co UK Inc.

Esso Holdings, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Excon Corporation and organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, was at all material times resident in the United Kingdom and not resident in the United Kingdom and not resident in the United Kingdom. Excon was a United Kingdom. On March 29, 1973, Esso Holdings paid to Exxon a dividend of 17m from which was deducted Schedule F income tax at the rate of 15 per cent, under the provisions of Section 232(3)

Supplied Alcock for Exxon as whether are selected of that the question was whether are definition was whether as whether are definition of the concentrated his attention on the excond sentence of Article XV, the very matter with which the respective definitions (the resident of the United Kingdom and the United Kingdom and "resident in the United Kingdom" and "resident of the United Kingdom and the United Kingdom and the United Kingdom. Therefore the provisions of in the United Kingdom. Therefore the provisions of in the purposes of paragraph (3) of the United Kingdom. Therefore the provisions of Article XV could not, in the judge's words, "apply equally the provisions of Article II.

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of the Income and Corporation
Taxes Act 1970.

In August, 1978, Exxon
claimed repayment of the tax
amounted to £1,070,000. It based
its claim that the dividend was
exempt from United Kingdom tax
on the provisions of Article XV
of the Double Taxation Relief
(Taxes on Income) (USA) Order
1946, as amended by Article 11 of
the Double Taxation Relief
(Taxes on Income) (USA) Order
1956, referred to compendiously
as the Convention. Exxon appealed to the commissioners
against the refusal by the Board
of Inland Revenue to allow that
claim.

Article XV of the Convention
provides: "Dividends and interest
paid by a corporation of one
contracting party shall be exempt
from tax by the other contracting
party except where the recipient
is a citizen, resident, or corportion and a phrase similar to
the expression under scrutiny
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where the expression under scrutiny
developed and fortified. First, it
was said, that if the residence
definitions were imported into
Article XV, the second sentence
of it could not ever operate to
deny exemption from United Kingdom tax to a payment made
by a United States corporation.
Second, on evidence of cinitions were
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Second or recipient to a payment made by a United States tax
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to a payment made
concontracting party shall be exempt
of the Double Taxation have agreed on a provision incapable of any application at all. Therefore the hypothesis importing the residence definitions was wrong.

The Crown submitted that the broad policy behind the second sentence was clear, bamely to deny exemption to dividends paid to a United States corporation by a subsidiary trading and controlled in this country

Thus, it was said, the sentence was to be read in a way, even if not the most natural way, that would give it some effect On a general consideration of the scheme of the Convention, the Crown was right in saying that the intended purpose of the second sentence of Article XV could be discerned. Accordingly, although on the plain meaning of the words used, the expression "resident of the other contracting party" in that sentence did import the residence definitions, it was necessary to give it a did not fail of effect. Solicitors: Solicitor of Inland Revenue; Mr Nicholas Halton.

South African rightly excluded at airport

Regina v Chief Immigration
Officer at London (Heathrow)
Airport, Ex parte De Kierk
Before Lord Denning, Master of
the Rolls, Lord Justice Griffiths
and Lord Justice Kerr

Mr K S Nathan for Mr De
Klerk; Mr Simon D Brown for
Klerk wanted to marry her.

Klerk; Mr Simon D Brown for the immigration officer. the immigration officer.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS

raid that Mr De Klerk was born in South Africa in 1937. He had been much married.

He had come here in 1960 as a series wanted to many her.

He arrived at Heathrow on February 23, 1981 and sought leave to enter the United Kingdom for three months to visit his two sons. He then asked for indefinite leave of entry and series of his plants. said that Mr De Klerk was born in South Africa in 1937. He had been much married.

Government would pay his return fare if the appeal succeeded.

He did not come within the provisions for entry for marriage (paragraph 52) because he did not hold a current entry clearance. The immigration officer had not acted under any mistake or unreasonably.

Ghassemian and Mirza v The

Home Office (unreported, June 27, 1980) showed that if a man had left during the period for which he had been given leave and then returned, he had to start afresh and to come in with

Lord Justice Griffiths and Lord Justice Kerr agreed.

in a taped telephone con-versation she and one of the organizers wracked their brains to discover who had informed on them to the Estate Fall And Total police, the prosecution alpolice, the prosecution as leged.

Miss Goodyear, aged 39, of Rochdale Road East, Heywood, Manchester; plays the part of Bet Lynch a harmaid in the Granada television series. Together with Janet 17 D (11) Ross, her former secretary, aged 28, of Berwick Road, Blackpool, and Victoria Montague, aged 23, of Gloucester Street, Acherton, Manchester, she denies a charge of conspiracy to Mrs Helen Grindrod for the prosecution, said the Julie Goodyear Trust Fund

fund". was set up to pay for a these people made any per-cervical smear testing unit at sonal gain out of fixing this

Christie Hospital and Holt competition. They defrauded Radium Institute in Manchester. An event held to raise counsel said. money for the fund was a

TV actress 'fixed'

contest, court told

From Our Correspondent Manchester

Julie Goodyear, a Coron- competition where people ation Street actress helped bought tickets for 25p and had to estimate how far a car the funds of her cancer would run on a gallon of research funds, Manchester petrol. The winner was to be Crown Court was told yester- given the car. The test was made by the AA at a market in Roehdale

last March. "But before then it became clear that tickets were not going so well", counsel said. "It is at this stage the prosecution say the agreement was entered into whereby a friend would be appointed the winner."

Mr William Clarke, aged in through the ducts as soon as the heating is switched on.
You get cockroaches in the 33, and Mr Rodger Forster, aged 25. both of Careless Lane, Wigan, filled in the winning ticket in Miss Montagu's name. "She had not bought a ticket and could not have won", Mrs Grindrod said. The car was handed to her and she then sold it "in a blaze of publicity and paid the money bok into the

"It is not suggested any of

properly defrosted in the hospital kitchen, along with cooked and raw meat stored perature.

ies of the controversial 10.50 Newsnight, Ends at 11.40. FATHER (ITY 9.00pm) affords us

> the shadow of his father even after he retires from Chembers, with Jane Asher as Elizabeth, his wife, who is not in the least over-awed by the reputation or behaviour of the man. The cast is strong, the location work

seen on the screen. Earlier, on BBC2 at 8,50pm T MALTESE FALCON marks the beginning of a six week season of Huston-directing-Bogart films. Tho chosen cover the years 1941-1945 and feature Across the Pacific, Key Largo, The African Queen, Beat the Devil and Treasure of the Sierra

10.30 News

Birmingham City Council. They will give advice and inspiration to listeners who may be among the unfortunate three million unemployed with lacts about evening classes and other opportunities to learn different skills which could lead to being employed

China peak

ing expeditions leave shortly for China with separate but large scale aims. Today, Chris Bonington sets out to lead a six-man team attempt on the north-east ridge of

While they explore that daunting spur which leads to the point where Mallory and Irvine were last seen alive in June, 1924, another six-man expedition 80 miles to the west will be attempting the South face of Xixabangma, at

Himalayan expeditions. The south face rises a sheer 10,000ft. Mr Scott said yesterday: "It will be the

Xixabangma has twice-been climbed by its easiest route, but the British team will be the first to attempt the South face which, with the great Kangshung face of Everest, remains one of the great mountaineering prizes.

Most of them have been on similar faces in the Hima-layas and scaled them Alpinestyle to altitudes of more than 26,000ft. "It is a very committed kind of mountain-

Exxon denied double taxation relief

[Judgment delivered March 1]

paid to it in 1973 by Esso Holding.
Co UK Inc.
Esso Holdings, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Exxon Corporation and organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, was at all material times resident in the United Kingdom and not resident in the United States for the purposes of the fiscal law of the United Kingdom. Exxon was a United States corporation not resident in the United Kingdom.
On March 29, 1973, Esso Holdings paid to Exxon a dividend of 57m from which was deducted Schedule F income tax

Where a passenger from South Africa had sought leave to enter the United Kingdom as a visitor for three mooths and then asked for leave to enter for an indefinite period without holding

completely proper.

The Court of Appeal dismissed with costs an appeal of Mr Johannes Jacobus De Klerk, furmerly of the Remand Centre, Ashford, Middlesex, from Mr Justice Woolf's diamissal of his Everest, and made lightweight attempts on the ogre, Nuptse North face, and

been much married.

He had come here in 1960 as a visitor, had been married in 1964 in South Africa to someone whom he had met in England and had two sons. There had been a divorce about 1972.

He came to England again in 1971, and subsequently married am English woman. There was a divorce in 1976. A third marriage entry clearance for that purpose.
Mr Justice Woolf had dismissed Mr De Klerk's application

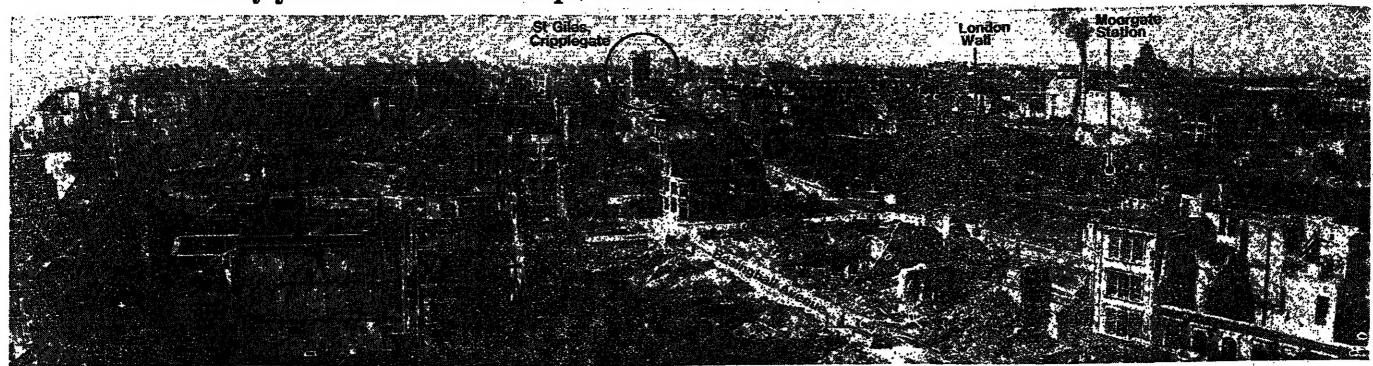
proper leave.

The appeal should be dis-

Solicitors: Herbert Baron & Co., Twickenham; Treasury Solicitor.

THE TIMES





London, was still a bomb-site (above) when the Queen came to the throne 30 years ago. Tomorrow, in the Barbican development built on the ruins (above), she will open as the last stage of renewal the £150m arts centre, the largest of its kind in Western Europe (Alan

Cripplegate, in the City of Hamilton writes). The only landmark that bridges the four decades separating Hitler's bombs from today is the Church of St Giles. The church, said to have been founded by Alfune in 1090, although authorities disagree, was burnt in 1545, burnt again in 1666, Victorianized by the Victor-

ians, and burnt again by the Luftcupola blown off, its shell still stands proudly above the ruins of Coleman Street and Basinghall Avenue in the panoramic view of September, 1941. The two pictures, both taken looking north-west, from

the area of Coleman Street, just waffe on December 29, 1940. Its wrought. When the area was a warren of Dickensian stews it housed a population estimated at near 200,000 living in fetid proxicity. Today the Barbican houses 6,000 in clinical order, on a site that has obliterated.

Frank Johnson in the Commons

A Welshman appeared in the Commons yesterday after an affray late last Thursday involving drink.

involving drink.

He was Nicholas Edwards, aged 48, who gave his occupation as Secretary of State for Wales. 'I wish to make a personal statement", he said. The statement was about what he described as "an incident" during a series of interventions at the end of the debate on Welsh affairs last Thorsday

"I would like to apologize

last Thursday

"I would like to apologize
to the Honourable Member
for Rhondda for suggesting
that he might have been
drinking, a suggestion which
was unjustified and which of
course I withdraw", he said.
"I would like to anologize to
you, Mr Speaker, for making
your task more difficult by
a remark from a sedentary
position that was out of
order."

What was out of order? The remark or the sedentary position? From the sentence, this was unclear. No matter. No minister should be held responsible for his syntax. This is one of the first principles of our legal system. Long may it remain so.

Where was I? Ah yes, Edwards in a sedentary posi-tion. To continue. "I hope", said the defendant, "that St David's Day is an appropriate moment to make amends.". Edwards was wearing a daf-fodil in his left lapel. The Speaker accepted the apology. Mr Edwards was

Saying it with daffodils

allowed to go. Being a Welshman, the Speaker may have noticed that daffodil. Perhaps it is a code among the Welsh, like certain signs are among Freemasons. But one prefers to think that Mr Edwards was think that Mr Edwards to

think that Mr Edwards was simply being given a chance to start a new life. For no man should be blamed for what he does in a sedentary position. Presumably, the case arose out of a complaint from the Shadow Secretary of State, the Member for Rhondda, the one accused of being drunk.

The Welsh are said to be a suspicious race. Let us hope he took the right course of action. Certainly, had he kept quiet about the incident, hardly anyone would have known about

have been any one of them. Still, Mr Jones seemed happy as Mr Edwards sat down yes-

terday. Next case.
That turned out to be Mr Gerald Kaufman, the Shadow Secretary for the Environment. He appeared to be driving under the influence of idealogy. He demanded an emer-

gency debate on the proposed

tour of South Africa by Mr Geoffrey Boycott's cricket te The essence of Mr Kauf-mans' argument was that the mans' argument was that the tour was wrong because it was to a part of Africa where whites oppressed blacks. It was not clear whether he was equally opposed to tours in parts of Africa where blacks oppressed blacks which is most other parts. One suspects not. That is not the Labour Party's tipple. Still, Mr Kaufman sang happily away at the dispatch box about members of the hated tour "selling themselves for tour "selling themselves for blood-covered Krugerrands". The Speaker declined the

emergency debate. But Mr Kaufman had registered

another success
An intoxicant shared by both sides of the House is overseas aid. During questions to the relevant minister yes suspicious race. Let us hope he took the right course of action. Certainly, had he kept quiet about the incident; hardly anyone would have known about it, as a Welsh affairs debate late on a Thursday evening is not peak viewing time.

Furthermore, like most Welshmen, the Shadow Secretary is named Jones. It could have been any one of them. sionary organizations in preference to government-togovernment to government to government cash. Too much of the latter tended to end up "in the Swiss bank accounts of dictators".

Mr Neil Matten, the minister, did not seem to think this would apply to late the seem to think this would apply to late the seem to think this would apply to late the seem to th

India, the country discussion at the time.

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TV top ten

(16.50m)

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3=Dallas (12.50m)

5 Holiday (11.95m)
6 The Dukes of (11.35m)
7 Emery (11.30m)
8 Police (11.10m)

Nanny (10.95m)

(11.05m)

(9.30m)

(7.05m)

(5.70m)

The Pound

Australia \$ 1.77
Austria Sch 31.90
Belgium Fr 89.00
Canada \$ 2.30
Demmark Kr 15.18
Finland Mik 8.65
France Fr 11.50
Gerece Dr 116.50
Hongkong \$ 11.05
Ireland Pt 1.27
Italy Lir 2390.00
Japan Yn 456.00
Netherlands Gid 4.94
Norway Kr 11.40
Portugal Esc 30.50
South Africa Rd 2.12
Spain Pta 192.00
Sweden Kr 11.00
Switzerland Fr 1.87
Yugoslavia Dnr 97.50

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Russell

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6 Dead (14_90m)

Thames (15m)

5 We Will Meet Again, LWT

Emest,

Family Fortunes, Central (14.80m) 3-2-1, Yorkshire (14.75m)

Starburst, Central (14.70m)

Crossroads (Wed) Central (14.50m)

BBC 1 Last of the Summer Wine

Top of the Tops (12.50m) Dallas (12.50m)

Question of

BBC 2 Not The Nine O'Clock News

Pot Black '82 (8.75m) End Play (8.65m)

Nancy Astor (Wed & Sun)

5 Grace Kennedy (7.35m) 5=One Man and His Dog

(7.35m) The Flight of the Condor

Harty

9 The Getting of Wisdom

The Waltons (4.80m)

Jim'il Fix It (13.65m)

Central

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Sport

(Tues)

Today's events

Royal engagements The Queen holds an Investi-ture, Buckingham Palace, 11. New exhibitions

Photographs by Raymond Moore, RPS National Centre of Photography, The Octagon, Milson Street, Eath; Mon to Sat 10 15 : (antil April 3).

to 4.45; (until April 3).
Old master and contemporary etchings by Katherine Kimball, Corinium Museum, Cirencester; Tues to Sat 10 to 5; Sun 2 to 5; (until March 28).
Late paintings by Sickert, Sainsbury Centre for Visual Arts, University of East Anglia, University Plain, Norwich; Tues to Sun 12 to 5; (until April 4).

ACROSS

1 Book Egyptian dancing girl can read backwards (7) 5 Sir Thomas Stamford, famed

9 Acrobat's finale in act to cause excitement (9)

11 Scratch record (5)
12 Terrifying as Coleridge's pursuing fiend (9)
14 Like the unhappy waiter when the match was abandoned

17.4.3.3)
17 Revolutionary reds attack, then pay the price (5.3.6)
21 High-flying socialites (3.3.3)
23 My pet, unfortunately, is hungry (5)

pungry (5)
24 Est away before cook comes back in (5)
25 Fitting — to a T? (9)

26 He's an expert — most are poor (7)

27 German town has this French perfume (7)

academic gave rise to disgust

1 Put a value on Jenny? (6) 2 I do more without money (7) 3 Classy chair held by rising

for abstraction (7)

footwear (5)

The Times Crossword Puzzle No. 15,769

Exhibitions in progress Embroideries from Gajeret and Rajathan—Festival of the Arts of India exhibition — Sheffield City Museum, Weston Park, Sheffield; blen to Fri 12 to 7; (until (until April 12).

Marcel Duchamp's Travelling Box: miniatures of all his major works, including sculptures, photographs and drawings; Central Museum and Art Gallery, Dudley; Mon to Sat 10 to 5 (until March 20).

Music Celebrity concert with Jack Brymer (clarinet), Spa Pavilion, Felixstowe, 8. Chamber Music Concert, Rear-don Smith Lecture Theatre, Park Place, Cardiff, 7.30.

Last chance to see
Scottish Writing Today, National Book League, 15A Lynedoch Street, Glassow; Mon to Fri 10 to 6, Sat 10 to 4 (ends today).

Haunted City pub walk, meet Chaucery Lane Underground, Paul's Underground, 7.30.

Auctions today

Walks

Christie's, King Streat: Decorative, sporting and topographical priots, caricatures and maps, 10.30. Christie's, South Kensington: Old and modern silver, 2; prints, 2. Phillips, Blenheim Street: Furniture, carpets, works of art, 11. Southeby's, Bond Street: Continental porcelain and pottery, 11. Viewing

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Ronhams, Montpelier Street:
Watercolours and drawings, 9 to
7; European oil paintings, 9 to
7; English and Continental furniture, 9 to 7; silver and plate,
5,30 to 7. Christie's, King Street:
English pictures of the 17th and
20th centuries; English silver.
both 9,15 to 4,30. Christie's, South
Kensington: Glass, 9,30 to 10;
old and modern jewelry, 9,30 to
12; goss, potlids, commemorative
ware and Staffordshire, 9,15 to
12; fury, costumes, accessories
and linen, 9,15 to 12; carpets and
objects of art and musical instru-12; furs, costumes, accessories and linen. 9.15 to 12; carpets and objects of art and musical instruments, 9.15 to 12.30; marine and sporting pictures, watercolours and drawfings, 9.15 to 4; English and Continental pictures, 9.15 to 4; English and Continental pictures, 9.15 to 4.30; Oriental works of art. 2 to 4.30; Oriental works of art. 2 to 4.30; scientific instruments, weights and measures, pens and demostic and other machines. 9.15 to 4.30. Phillips, Blenheim Street: English and Continental ceramics and glass: lead soldiers and figures: miniatures, fams, holy icons and objects of vertu; Chimese showls and embroideries. lace and costumes, all 9 to 4.30. Sotheby's, Bond Street: Russian pictures; 20th century Continental pictures; 20th century Continental pictures; 20th century Continental pictures; of art—fast sale; 9 to 4.30; Sotheby's, Belgravia: Farmirure, clorks and watches: pottery, both 9.30 to 4.30. Sotheby's, Torquay: Collectors' items. 9 to 1 and 2.15 to 4.30. Sotheby's, Items, 9.30 to 4.30. Sotheby's, items, 9.30 to 4.30.

Sporting fixtures

Football: First division: Brigh-ton v Leeds, 7.45; West Ham v Ipswich. Four second division marches, two third and three fourths. makines, two third and three fourth.

Racing: National Hunt meetings at Plumpton, 2 and Kelso, 2.15.

Boxing: Charlie Magri v Ciprisno Arreola of Mexico, at the Royal Albert Hell.

Radminton: England v. Jacob

Sport on TV BBC2: 9, Por Black '82—BBC2 nooker Championship. ITV: 11—The Yamana Organs

Badminton: England v Japan, at Aston Villa FC.

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Debates on Opposition motions on gas prices and on the situation in central America.
Lords (2.30): Northern Ireland Orders : Civic Government (Scot-land) Bill, report.

National top ten television pro-February 21: ITV 1 Coronation Street (Wed) Granada (18m) 2 This is Your Life, Thames

In a light-hearted leader on Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton, the Daily Mirror says: "for a brief moment, it looked as if they would play their final roles on the great screen of line as Darby and Joan, strolling alone into the sunset — accompanied by five agents, 10 press officers and 100 photographers." officers and 100 photographers ".

The papers

Le Figare warns that France's trade deficit for January is "the beginning of a decline". The country is living beyond its means and cannot afford the luxury of importing more than it exports,

The New York Times yesterday offered grudging support for what the Administration is doing in El Salvador, but critiched the President for "Simple and puerlie" language: "The extravagance of Washington's rhetoric implies importance with control America's washington's rhetoric implies im-patience with control America's social distress and ignorance of the United States' past inglorious role there; by debasing debate, the Administration impairs sup-port for even modest levels of aid."

Roads

Rozdworks Loadon and South-east: M11: Lane closures between junctions 5 (Loaghton) and 7 (Harlow). A1900: Roadworks at High Road, East Finchley.

Midlands: M6: Lane closures between M59 and A426 exits (Junctions 1 and 2). M50: Lane closures between junctions 3 (Javs Green) and 4 (end of motorway). A6: Temporary signals at Matlack Eath, Derbyshire.

North: A6125: Roadworks on Gosforth High Street, Newcastle, A19: Lane restrictions on Sunder-land by-pass, A177/B5291: Delays on Coxhoe southern by-pass, co Durham. Wales and West: A4/A37

Readworks at this intersection, Bristol. A35: Temporary signals in Axminster town centre, Devon. A55: Roadworks on Colwyn Bay Scotland: A74: Lane closures

at Johnstonebridge, Dumfries-shire. A75: Temporary lights at Threave Bridge near Castle Douglas, and E of Ringford at A711 junction. A76: Temporary signals N of Dumfries. Information supplied by the AA. Dartford Tunnel toll Increased toll charges from March 1: cars, 50p: motorcycles, 20p: HGV, £1.30; buses/coaches, 50p to £1.30; light and medium goods vehicles, 80p.

Today's anniversaries

Births: Thomas Bodley, founder of the Bodleian Library, Exeter. 1545; Vinceuzo Gioacchino Pecci, Pope Leo XIII, 1878-1903, Carpineto, 1810; Bedrich Litomysi, Smetana, Bohemia, 1824. John Wesley died in London 1791, Attempted assassination of Queen Victoria at Windsor Station, by Roderick Maclean, 1882.

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Weather

Front troughs will cross many parts from the SW.

6 am to midnight Lenden, SE, E England, E Anglia: Sun

3 Coronation Street (Mon) Central S. Central N England, Midlants, Channel Islands: Sunty Intervals at first; becoming cloudy with rain; what W to SW. moderate or fresh; max Lemp 7 or 8C (45 to 46F).

SW, RW England, Water: Bright at first, becoming cloudy with vain from W. followed by clearer, showery weather later; wind SW, moderate or fresh; max. temp 7 to 9C (45 to 48F).

Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scottant, Gaspow, Argyll, N Ireland: Bright 32 first, becoming cloudy with outbreaks of rain; what W fresh or strong; max temp 6 or 70 (43 to 45F). ME England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dun-dre: Sunny Intervals at Airst, becoming cloody wind W, conterate; max temp 6 or 7C (43 to 45F).

Aberdees, Central Hydiands, Meray Firth, NE, NW Scotland, Orkney: Sunsy intervals, occasional showers, becoming cloudier with more persistent rain later; wind mainly SW, fresh or strong; max lemp 4 to 6C (39 to 45F). Shetland: Surey intervals, occasional shorers; what SW, fresh; max tamp 4C (39F).

SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea, English Chamel (E). St George's Chamel, Strafts of Dover: Wind W, bathing SW, strong or gale, perhaps increasing severe gale; sea very routh, Irish Sea: Wind W, bathing Sea fresh increasing strong or gale; sea moderate becoming very rough.

Sun rises: 6 45 am Mora sets: 12 38 au Sum pais: 5 42 pm Moon rises; 10.04 am First marter: 10.15 pm

Lighting up time

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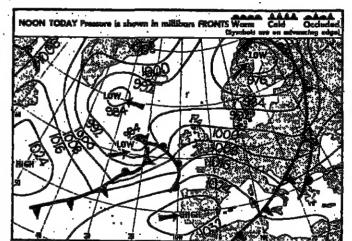
Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 11C (52F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 9C (49F). Humidity: 6.pm, 69 per cent. Rain: 24Wr to 6 pm, 54in. Son: 24Wr to 6 pm, 3.2Wr. Bay, mean sea level; 6 pm, 1,000.2 millibars, ricken rising. 1,000 millibars=29.53ip*:*

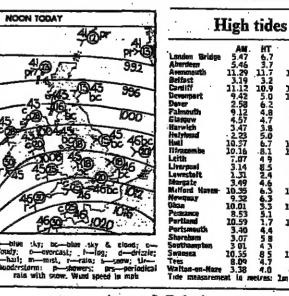
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Satellite predictions

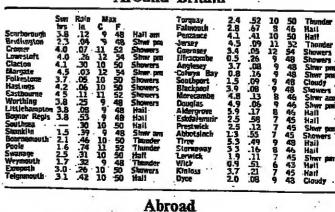
Figures give time of visibility, where rising, maximum electation, and direction of setting, Asterisk denotes entering or learning eclipse.

LONDON: Cosmes 151R: (March 3) 4.45-4.48; \$*; 605.5E. Cosmes 1310R: 19.58-20.2; NW: 7505E; SE*. Cognes 956R: 18.51-18.55. \$*; 606NE; NNE. Aspandata R: 19.6-19.11; WSW: 555: ESE* and 20.44-20.45; W: 158; W*-Saugat 19.0-19.8; NNE; 30NNW; W. Predictions suspiled by Earth Satellite Unit, Acton University.





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6 Interval for fireworks? (5)

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quite unusual clue,

13 You can't take it with you; sadly, neither can I (11)

16 Contour line appears different in theory (8)

18 One man from Glasgow, e's in the garden (7)

19 Account for broken axle-pin

(7)
20 The girl to experiment in tree climbing (6)
22 It happened in the seven-teenth century (5)

25 Bill's companion in Tory circles (3)

Solution of Puzzle No 15,768

mud" (8)

Cause excitement (9)

10 Shawi (loud one) and sound 15 The dear French love us to be footwar (5)